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President's Message:

As I write this, it's May First. Happy May Day! Is spring really here? Are the neotropical migrants actually heading our way? The weather gurus tell us our steady diet of cold north winds, day after endless day in this April of 2015 is coming to an end – finally!

The bleak early spring weather pattern certainly generated a lot of angst within the Illinois birding community, especially those of us in the northeastern corner of the state. This April, I think we all succumbed to occasional petulant whining, ranging from the general "Where are the birds?" or "When is it going to warm up?" or "I can't believe I still haven't seen (you fill in the species) yet!"

Just as the birds are (fairly) predictable, so we as birders are also predictable: Two-to- three weeks before the major influx of migratory birds begins, there's a major outflux of birders, heading into the field to start checking off those FOY species. I think it's mostly a form of spring fever, or cabin fever as our friends farther north like to call it.

Karen and I were certainly infected with that fever, venturing out to many locations this past April. One of our annual early spring destinations is the Sibley Grassland. This 1 square-mile grassland/ wetland complex sits like an oasis amidst the accurately named great corn (and soybean) desert' that characterizes a very large portion of central Illinois. Sibley is an IDNR site, managed for pheasants (and pheasant hunters). It's burned annually and attracts many of our native species. We go there for longspurs, our target being Smith's, and our batting average in finding them has been reasonably good. This year we only found Laplands at Sibley, but another (I think unnamed) IDNR 'oasis' several miles south and west of the Sibley grassland produced quite a few Smith's for our viewing pleasure.

Because the Sibley grassland has a rather large wetland in the west central portion of the site, over the years we've seen interesting waterfowl and various shorebirds. This year was no exception in delivering the unexpected: A group of early arriving Hudsonian Godwits.

I'm happy these oases exist, but their rarity and isolation conjures up the same poignant image for both Karen and me – tiny islands of habitat surrounded by a desolate ocean of corn and soybean fields. One challenge we face as members of the birding and bird conservation community is to create more of these oases, so that 50 years from now the birds we so much enjoy will have a more extensive network of islands where they can rest, refuel for their long journeys, or spend the summer and raise their young. They are needed – the ocean of corn and soybeans is not going away anytime soon.

If you read my message in the last *Meadowlark*, you may remember I announced that column would be my last as President of IOS. But a funny thing happened! There was a loophole (in the bylaws). Since I hadn't served two consecutive full three year terms on the board, I could re-up. A combination of bribery and threats by the board (just kidding!) persuaded me to stay. Seriously, it's an honor and privilege to be part of this dedicated group, participating in the changes that carry IOS forward and strengthen our ability to perform our mission. My thanks to the board for their expression of confidence in asking that I stay on.

Robert Fisher

Letter from the Editor

Of Mourning Doves and Passenger Pigeons

You, no doubt, noticed the gorgeous front and back cover of this issue, created by Kevin Sierzega, whose work has graced *Meadowlark* before.

We asked Kevin to do this drawing to commemorate the demise of the Passenger Pigeon, whose numbers once seemed to be so abundant that humans thought this species would last forever. Of course, we now know that extinction can happen to any species, no matter how numerous.

The 100th anniversary of the death of the last Passenger Pigeon occurred in 2014. The last of the species, Martha, died in captivity at the Cincinnati Zoo Sept. 1, 1914.

In 2014, much was done to call attention to this important milestone, including, of course, Joel Greenberg's book, "A Feathered River Across the Sky: The Passenger Pigeon's Flight to Extinction."

We birders all know that at one time, Passenger Pigeons filled the Illinois skyline from horizon to horizon.

But now it's 2015, the Passenger Pigeon is long gone, and we have a story in this issue about another species in the order Columbiformes, the Mourning Dove. The article, "Lead shot ingestion rate and effects in Mourning Doves," by Stephanice C. Plautz, et. al, addresses the issue of how one of North America's most numerous birds is being poisoned from spent lead shot. According to Plautz, more than 400 million individual Mourning Doves have been counted in the fall in the United States. "However, Mourning Dove populations may be declining," she writes. Her story, which begins on page 2, explains why.

Can the Mourning Dove ever go the way of the Passenger Pigeon? It seems ludicrous. Certainly, we humans would never let something like what happened to the Passenger Pigeon in the 20th century occur in the 21st century. Right?

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About Our Cover:

Kevin Sierzega, who is studying implications of oak regeneration on avian habitat selection, drew the front and back cover of the Passenger Pigeons, which once filled the skies in Illinois. IOS dedicates this issue to the memory of the now-extinct species. Kevin received an IOS grant and will be submitting his paper to the *Meadowlark* soon for readers to find out about his research.

Photos by H. David Bohlen on pages 17, 19 and 33 courtesy of the Illinois State Museum.

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Lead shot ingestion rate and effects in Mourning Doves

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Introduction

The Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*) is one of the most numerous bird species in the United States, with a fall population of more than 400 million individuals (Dolton and Holmes 2002; Dolton and Rau 2003). As a migratory game bird, the species is both economically and culturally important (Baskett and Sayre 1993). However, Mourning Dove populations may be declining. Call count surveys indicate declines of 13.4%, 19.5%, and 55.1% in the Eastern Management Unit (EMU), Central Management Unit (CMU), and Western Management Unit (WMU), respectively, while breeding bird surveys indicate an increase of 19.7% in the EMU, but declines of 19.5% and 35.2% in the CMU and WMU (Dolton and Holmes 2002; Dolton and Rau 2003).

Poisoning from spent lead shot ingested by Mourning Doves has been identified as a priority conservation and management issue, with a need for better understanding of its potential population level effects (Otis et al. 2008). Mourning Doves are at particularly high risk of ingesting spent lead shot on dove fields, public lands managed specifically to attract doves for hunting. Fields are planted with crops favored by doves such as wheat, millet, or sunflowers, and managed so that relatively bare ground, preferred by doves for its lack of impedance to predator detection, is available adjacent to or within the food plot shortly before dove season begins (Baskett 1993). While dove fields concentrate numbers of Mourning Doves and provide increased hunting opportunities, they also concentrate lead shot deposition by hunters. Some of this spent shot is then ingested by doves foraging on the fields (Kendall et al. 1996; Otis et al. 2008).

Trapped wild Mourning Dove, 23 April 2008.

Photo by Stephanie Plautz.

The amount of lead shot available on a dove hunting field depends on the time it has been used for hunting, the number of hunters it hosts per year, and tillage practices (Castrale 1989). Studies have reported from 3,228-167,593 shot/ha pre-hunt and 17,628 - 860,185 shot/ha post-hunt in the upper 0.95-1.3 cm of soil in dove hunting fields (Lewis and Legler 1968; Castrale 1989; Best et al. 1992; Kendall et al. 1996). The number of shells fired per Mourning Dove bagged has been estimated at 5-8, for a total annual lead shot input to the environment of 5.6-9.2 million kg (Kendall et al. 1996).

Studies of collected or hunter-harvested doves have reported lead shot ingestion rates ranging from 0.2-6.5% of the sampled Mourning Dove population. Most doves in which ingested shot is detected contain 1-3 pellets, but more than 20 ingested shot in a single bird have been recorded (Locke and Bagley 1967; Lewis and Legler 1968; Kendall and Scanlon 1979; Castrale 1991; Franson 2002). However, these data may be an underestimate of the actual shot ingestion rate because many doves that ingest lead shot quickly die or alter their behavior by seeking cover (Kendall et al. 1996; Schulz et al. 2002).

Research on lead shot ingestion in Mourning Doves that has been done thus far has been performed in very controlled situations detached from natural conditions. Therefore, the objective of the current study was to examine the relationship between pellet availability and ingestion in Mourning Doves on the bare soil of a disked field, under controlled conditions that simulated field exposures. We also evaluated kidney, liver, and blood lead concentrations relative to the number of lead shot ingested.

Methods

Mourning Doves were trapped during February – August 2008 at 3 sites in Carbondale, Illinois using modified Kniffin and Thompson walk-in traps (Reeves et al. 1968) baited with cracked corn. At time of capture, doves were aged based on external plumage characteristics (Cannell 1984; Schulz et al. 1995) and banded with a non-FWS metal leg band stamped with a unique number. Doves were held in captivity for at least 5 weeks prior to the beginning of experiments to allow for acclimation to captivity and to ensure a similar nutritional plane among individuals. Doves were provided with ad libitum mixed seed (millet, milo, sunflower, and wheat), water, and ground oystershell grit.

Before each trial, the experimental field was disked until consistency was relatively uniform. Treatment pens were open-bottomed 0.61 m cubes constructed from hardware cloth and opaque plastic roofing. Doves were housed one per pen and provided with a perch and ad libitum water. Two aluminum 0.23 x 0.33 m pans painted brown to blend in with the soil were buried in the soil in each cage so that the top of the soil in the pan was level with the soil on the ground. The soil in each pan was loosely packed to help prevent shot and seed from falling between chunks of soil and becoming inaccessible to the doves. Mixed seed (the same diet birds had eaten since capture) was scattered uniformly on the soil in these pans. To protect the doves from predators, experimental pens were surrounded by a plastic netting enclosure and an electric fence.

Three trials were conducted using 80 doves each, for a total of 240 birds. The first 2 trials were held during July 2008 using only after-hatch-year (AHY) birds, and the third trial was held during October using only hatch year (HY) birds as identified by plumage characteristics (Cannell 1984; Schulz et al. 1995). Seven days pre-treatment, 0.3 cc of blood was collected from the alar vein. Doves were randomly assigned to treatment groups and placed in experimental pens for 7 days pre-treatment to allow them to acclimate to the new individual cage environment.

Following the pre-treatment period, birds were temporarily confined and the contents of the feed pans replaced with new soil, 125 mL of mixed seed per pen, and uniformly scattered #7.5 lead shot at a density of 0 (control), 11 (low density), or 223 (high density) pellets/buried feed pan. These densities corresponded to 0, 1.5 million, and 29.5 million pellets/ha. In each trial, 35 birds were placed in each of the low and high pellet density treatments and 10 birds served as controls. Birds were then returned to their pens and allowed to feed for 4 days. In the first trial all control birds were negative controls, but in the second and third trials 5 of the control birds were randomly selected as positive controls. Each of these 5 doves (10 total birds) was dosed with 2 #7.5 lead shot.

On days 2 and 4 post-treatment, doves were collected and X-rayed for the presence of lead shot in their digestive systems. Also on day 4 post-treatment, 0.3 cc of blood was collected from the alar vein of each bird before euthanasia using CO_2 asphyxiation. The kidneys and liver of each bird were removed and frozen at -4°C for analysis. All handling procedures and euthanasia techniques were approved by Southern Illinois University Carbondale's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (protocol A-3078-01).

All tissue samples (blood, liver, kidney) collected from the birds that had ingested lead shot (n = 16), either voluntarily or via dosing, were analyzed for lead concentration. In addition, 5 control birds, 10 low shot density birds, and 10 high shot density birds from each trial were randomly selected for tissue lead analysis. Tissue samples were digested using nitric acid and analyzed for lead concentration using a graphite furnace atomic absorption spectrophotometer.

A 2-sample t-test with unequal sample sizes and variances was used to test for differences in frequency of lead pellet ingestion between treatments. Liver and kidney lead concentrations were analyzed via the Kruskal-Wallis test. Pairwise comparisons between treatments were made using the Wilcoxon test. Blood lead concentrations were log trans-

Drawing blood from a Mourning Dove July 2008. *Photo by Stephanie Plautz.*

formed and compared across treatment groups using repeated measures ANOVA.

Results

Overall, 6 (2.9%) of the 205 birds exposed to lead shot voluntarily ingested ≥ 1 lead shot each. No birds in either shot density treatment ingested shot in the first trial, but in the second trial, 3 birds (8.8%) in the high shot density group ingested one pellet apiece. In the third trial, 2 birds (5.9%) in the high shot density group ingested 3 and 4 shots, respectively, and 1 bird (2.9%) in the low shot density group ingested one shot. Pooling the results from the 3 trials, there was no significant difference between the shot ingestion rates in the high (4.9%) and low (1.0%) shot density treatments (Table 1). Eight (50%) of the birds that ingested lead shot either voluntarily (2 of 6 birds) or via dosing (6 of 10 birds) eliminated at least one pellet as detected by X-ray between days 2 and 4.

For statistical analyses, doves were divided into 4 groups: positive controls (hereafter referred to as 'dosed' birds), negative controls (hereafter referred to as 'controls'), doves that voluntarily ingested shot, and those that were exposed to shot but did not voluntarily ingest any. Liver, kidney, and post-treatment blood lead concentrations were greater in birds that ingested shot than in those that did not, with lead concentrations significantly greater in dosed birds than in those that voluntarily ingested lead shot. Blood lead concentrations were not different among ingestion groups pre-treatment (Table 2).

Table 1. Voluntary lead shot ingestion rate for wild Mourning Doves held in captivity on the bare soil of a disked field. Numbers in parenthesis are the percentages of birds that ingested shot.

Trial	High density	Low density	Total
1	0[a]/34[b]	0/35	0/69
2	3/34 (8.8%)	0/33	3/67 (4.5%)
3	2/34 (5.9%)	1/35 (2.9%)	3/69 (4.4%)
Overall	5/102 (4.9%)	1/103 (1.0%)	6/205 (2.9%)

a Number of doves in treatment group that ingested lead shot

b Total number of doves in treatment group

Table 2. Mean (± SE) liver, kidney, and blood lead (Pb) concentrations of wild Mourning Doves held in captivity in a lead shot ingestion study. All concentrations are reported in parts per million wet weight.

			Blood Pb	
Pb ingestion group	Liver Pb	Kidney Pb	Pre-treatment	Post-treatment
Control	0.11[a] ± 0.05 (n=5)	0.16[a] ± 0.06 (n=5)	0.11 ± 0.08 (n=5)	0.07[a] ± 0.03 (n=5)
No pellets	0.18[a] ± 0.05 (n=20)	0.22[a] ± 0.07 (n=20)	0.11 ± 0.05 (n=20)	0.09[a] ± 0.03 (n=20)
Dosed	30.75[b] ± 10.20 (n=10)	196.76[b] ± 34.50 (n=10)	0.09 ± 0.03 (n=10)	7.35[b] ± 1.23 (n=10)
Voluntary ingestion	2.04[c] ± 0.88 (n=6)	43.97[c] ± 30.41 (n=6)	0.11 ± 0.05 (n=6)	1.14[c] ± 0.50 (n=6)

a,b,c Means with different letters in the same column are statistically different ($p \leq 0.05$)

Discussion

Lead shot ingestion rate

The shot ingestion rates of 4.9% (high density) and 1.0% (low density) observed in the current study were within the range of 0.2-6.5% reported in previous studies of hunter-harvested birds. However, the overall shot ingestion rate of 2.9% reported in the current study was lower than that reported in the only other published voluntary lead pellet ingestion study on wild Mourning Doves (5.1% in Schulz et al. 2007). This difference could have been due to relatively small sample sizes or to variation in the method of lead shot presentation (mixed with seed on bare soil in the current study vs. in plastic trays in Schulz et al. 2007).

Like previous studies, the current study did not demonstrate a statistical difference in shot ingestion rates by availability. Schulz et al. (2007) reported that equal numbers of birds consumed shot at low, medium, and high shot densities, though the sample size was small. Hunter-harvested dove studies have also failed to demonstrate a relationship between availability and ingestion (Lewis and Legler 1968; Best et al. 1992; Schulz et al. 2002). However, the lack of correlation between the prevalence of ingested pellets in a sample of hunter-harvested doves and the pellet density in the field over which they were harvested may be due to the mobility of Mourning Doves. Their harvest over a field with a particular shot density does not mean that all of their principle foraging areas contain comparable lead pellets densities.

Tissue lead concentrations

When a Mourning Dove ingests lead shot it can be passed through the digestive tract and excreted, regurgitated, or retained in the gizzard for up to several weeks until it dissolves. In the gizzard, a lead pellet undergoes

X-ray of 2 #7.5 lead pellets ingested by a Mourning Dove taken in July 2008.

Photo by Stephanie Plautz.

chemical and mechanical degradation and conversion to soluble toxic salt form (Kendall et al. 1982), which is then absorbed into the bloodstream and rapidly redistributed to tissues (Eisler 1988). The consequences of lead shot ingestion for a bird are dependent on the condition of the bird, gender, age, environmental conditions, dietary components that may impact pellet dissolution and lead absorption, and pellet retention time (Kendall et al. 1996).

Tissue lead concentrations in the current study were comparable to those reported by previous studies (Kendall et al. 1996; Schulz et al. 2006; Schulz et al. 2007). The differences in tissue lead concentrations between birds that voluntarily ingested shot and those that were dosed were likely due to the length of time that shot were present in the gizzard. Because birds were X-rayed on days 2 and 4, it was impossible to determine the exact times of shot ingestion and expulsion. However, it is unlikely that the doves that voluntarily ingested shot did so immediately after they were returned to their pens following shot addition, thus shot was present in the gizzards of the dosed birds longer and could have contributed to the increased tissue lead concentrations seen in dosed birds.

Franson (1996) evaluated many Mourning Dove studies and produced a table of the effects of tissue lead concentrations. Blood, liver, and kidney lead were considered toxic at >2 parts per million (ppm), >6 ppm, and >15 ppm wet weight, respectively, and concentrations were considered compatible with death at >10 ppm, >20 ppm, and >40 ppm wet weight, respectively. Thus, of the birds that ingested lead shot in the current study, either voluntarily or via dosing, 81% (13 of 16) exhibited ≥ 1 toxic tissue lead concentration, and 75% (12 of 16) had ≥ 1 lethal tissue lead concentration.

Conclusions

On a population level, the effects of lead shot ingestion are unclear. If 10% of the 450 million Mourning Dove population feeds in high risk areas, such as dove fields, and 2.9% of those ingest shot, 1.31 million birds are at risk of lead shot ingestion. If the shot ingestion rate is 1.0% or 4.9%, then 0.45 or 2.21 million birds, respectively, are at risk of shot ingestion. If 75% of these birds die either from direct effects of lead shot ingestion or lead toxicity-induced increased susceptibility to predation, between 0.34 million and 1.66 million Mourning Doves may die from lead shot ingestion each year.

With regard to the continued use of lead shot for dove hunting, land managers have several options if they decide that the number of doves at risk of shot ingestion is unacceptable. First, the use of lead shot could be banned on their management area. Second, its use could be banned in areas of particularly high hunting pressure, like dove fields, to prevent high density buildups of lead shot and subsequent increases in the risk of shot ingestion by wildlife. Third, dove fields could be disked after hunting to reduce shot availability.

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ILLINOIS BIRDING COMMUNITY MOURNS THE LOSS OF TWO INFLUENTIAL BIRDERS

Jack Pomatto: (April 22, 1944 - June 12, 2014)

World Traveler and Friend

John "Jack" M. Pomatto Jr., 70, was a teacher at Lake Park High School for 31 years, and then served as a naturalist at the Kane County Forest Preserve.

Jack Pomatto, also a well-known birder, has left us far too soon with too many places not yet explored. He wanted to see the world, particularly the natural world. As most of you are aware, birds and bird trips take you into all parts of the world and Jack followed the birds intently. My wife, Joy and I, had the pleasure of traveling with Jack on a number of trips.

One particular trip was a five-week tour of Australia where we circled that Southern Continent along with Dave Splea. Jack had a particular interest in the northern region where we visited aboriginal lands and viewed their culture.

Jack led us to a national park with compass mounds – termites that orientate their giant colonies to avoid the noon sun. In Western Australia we had a chance viewing of a giant blue whale, something Jack would continually mention when we discussed the trip. We also saw the oldest living organism, the algae pillows, in a shallow bay on the coast, another on Jack's wish list. The trip ended in Tasmania where we had great looks at the quolls on an evening spot-lighting excursion. I want to emphasize Jack's travels were much more than about birding. He enjoyed the people and the culture and listened as the world reacted to the elections back in the U.S. in 2008 when our first black American became president.

Jack is gone but he sought and found so many fascinating things about our world and the people who live in it. It wasn't his style to sit back and wait. Rather, he was in line buying a ticket to the next world adventure.

— Written by Jon J. Duerr, a recent Illinois Ornithological Society Board Member, and retired executive director of the Forest Preserve District of Kane County.

Jack Pomatto leads a school group while volunteering with the Forest Preserve District of Kane County. Photo courtesy of Valerie Blaine, nature programs manager for the Forest Preserve District of Kane County.

Gifted Naturalist, Enthusiastic Birder

Losing a friend is a tough experience. Losing a friend who was an inspiration, a mentor, and a champion for the natural world is exceptionally hard.

The loss also is felt by many in the naturalist community and in the community at large. The emptiness of loss is countered by the tremendous amount that we all gained from Jack Pomatto's time with us. He enriched our lives with his knowledge, his humor and his passion for the beauty of the natural world.

Jack came to work as a naturalist with the Forest Preserve District of Kane County after retiring from classroom teaching at Lake Park High School. He transitioned from 31 years of teaching history within the walls of a school building, to teaching about nature in the big classroom without walls -- the great outdoors. He readily donned khakis, a big hat, and binoculars for his new role.

I recall Jack's first day on the job at Tekakwitha Woods Nature Center in St. Charles, when we had the

first of many lively discussions. The conversation began with the topic of bird coloration. It wasn't a simple matter of one bird being red and one bird being blue. No, Jack described the intricate detail of feather pigmentation, refraction of light, and the astounding diversity of patterns in the avian world. Then, the conversation evolved into the topic of evolution itself, adaptive radiation, and other fascinating subjects.

For the ensuing decade, Jack brought a wealth of knowledge and keen insight to the staff, and there were many intriguing discussions. His descriptions of the wonders of nature were spellbinding. He made us want to know more. He stretched our thinking and opened our minds.

It's not just staff who benefited from Jack, of course. He shared his knowledge with a diverse audience, from preschool students to senior citizens and every age in between. He was apt to bend down to kid-level to reveal the inner structure of a flower -- or to project his voice so that the hardest-of-hearing seniors could hear his description of a cool bird.

"Look at the caterpillar on the bottom of this leaf," he once said to a group of rapt third-graders. "It's been parasitized by a wasp. And that wasp has been parasitized by another wasp."

"Cool!" "Gross!" and "Awesome!" were the instantaneous replies.

With seniors, Jack hooked their attention with anecdotes and humor. He loved to tell stories about the bizarre courtship behaviors of birds and the not-so-tall tales about the world of microbes.

Jack was an all-around naturalist with an insatiable curiosity about every aspect of the natural world. But birding was Jack's thing. He had an eye and an ear for anything avian, and he was a walking field guide to birds. With just a glance at a bird before it disappeared in a thicket, or a faraway glimpse at a spec in the sky, Jack could identify the most challenging UFO. A brief call note was easily deciphered by Jack's discerning ear, and he could recognize every repertoire of bird songs. Joking that the birder's most common phrase is, "There it goes!", Jack taught people to pick out key characteristics for quick identification. He sharpened our senses and our sensibility to all things avian.

Jack's bird-watching programs were hugely popular, not just because he could identify birds but because he could interpret the essence of birds. Each species has a story, and when Jack relayed the story his audience would truly learn about the bird. He infused wit and wisdom in his stories and always brought a chuckle to the learning process. He was great with the wow-factor of outrageous bird factoids, which he could tell by the dozens.

The Red-eyed Vireo can sing up to 20,000 times a day, Jack was fond of telling. The Wandering Albatross spends 60 percent of its life in flight over the ocean and has to drink salt water, excreting salt through glands above its bill. The Great-Blue Heron combs its breast feathers with a special claw on the middle toe, making a powder to dust on the body, which helps keep feathers mud-free.

Jack's limitless curiosity led him to explore all parts of the world. He returned from adventures in Central and South America, Africa, Australia, and the Galápagos Islands with marvelous tales and awesome photographs. He was the quintessential peripatetic naturalist who never tired of the quest to learn about the marvels of our planet.

Despite seeing so many exotic wonders of the world, Jack was never bored with the flora and fauna of northern Illinois. Jack found just as much wonder and beauty in the local ecology of Kane County as he did on his travels in faraway places.

Although Jack's parting is a loss, his life was a gift to us all. My view through binoculars is forever changed.

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Muriel Smith: (July 5, 1922 - October 15, 2014)

Reflections on an Expert Birder and Mentor

Muriel Smith in Attu after seeing White-throated Needletail on May 24, 1984. *Photographer unknown.*

It's hard for me to ever imagine a visit to Elsen's Hill Forest Preserve, part of West DuPage Woods Forest Preserve in DuPage County, without thinking of Muriel Smith. She had a deep love and passion for birds, bird ecology, and nature in general. Her passion showed, especially with shorebirds and warblers. She was an expert birder in every way, but especially so with those two species groups. She could describe most any shorebird and warbler plumage in detail, feather by feather, without a field guide, rather, purely from memory.

Having Muriel as my mentor was a great honor and wonderful privilege; she engrained her passion in me and many others as well. Watching warblers with Muriel at Elsen's was exceptionally rewarding and enjoyable. For many years, she birded Elsen's Hill during migration and the breeding season. During those years we had occasional weeks where we "warblered" nearly every morning.

Muriel's personal discipline was to have one very extended, detailed view of each first-of-the-year warbler species, from rare to common, to savor and study each one at length. Muriel made you think and work for an identification, and she was always ready to patiently detail what to look for in each species, and inform you what you might have missed or didn't know. Her knowledge and expertise went well beyond birds, into many areas of nature.

On Sept. 11, 2001, I was enroute to Elsen's to bird with Muriel. At a local gas station stop, I saw the news on a television about the 911 tragedy in New York. Catching up with her when I arrived at Elsen's Hill, her first words were, "There's something very odd about today, it's been a strange morning. But I can't quite put my finger on it, – something is amiss." As I broke the news of the hijackings and planes flying into the twin towers, her shoulders and face sunk, and visibly upset, she needed to sit down. She told me: "Somehow I knew something was missing… that explains everything. There's been an absence of airplanes all morning, not a single airplane has flown over." I sat and talked with her until she was up to driving home.

On May 6, 2001, a blustery day after the spring bird count, she arrived to Elsen's to learn that I and a few others had found one of her favorite warblers, a male Black-throated Blue Warbler. We also had a Cerulean and a Prothonotary. She said, "You enjoy that male Cerulean. I want to find the male Black-throated Blue Warbler and enjoy it while I still can." And she did just that.

Upon rejoining us, she put her shoulders back, sighed deeply with a huge, beaming, satisfied smile and said, "If I don't live long enough to ever see another male Black-throated Blue Warbler, I'll die happy. That was absolutely the most satisfying and stunning lengthy views I've had in years. He was eye level, dancing around, every which way and singing nonstop, and that bird gave me every extended view imaginable, every

single detail, every feather, looks to die for."

An expert on avian vocalizations, Muriel emphasized the auditory aspect of birding. She loved to nurture the gift of bird vocalizations in others. Thankfully, in spite of my very rough edges, she patiently mentored and encouraged me to embrace the gift of hearing and excelling in avian vocal identification.

Had it not been for her persistent encouragement to excel, I would not still be birding today. She became my friend and frequent birding companion, the likes of which will likely never be replaced. One would do well to be one-tenth the birding expert she had become.

— Written by Pete Moxon, an experienced birder and bird researcher from Wheaton, Illinois

A Lover of Shorebirds and Nature Itself

My friend, Muriel Smith, passed from this world in October 2014, no doubt entertaining visions of what birds she might see on the other side. She was 92 years old.

Muriel was steeped in nature by a grandfather who encouraged her interest. She became a birding enthusiast well ahead of her time and was part of the old guard Chicago area birders. Muriel was self-taught and with her ear for music and attention to detail, developed into an outstanding birder who was anxious and willing to share her knowledge, becoming mentor to countless younger birders, yours truly included.

Muriel talked about the many hours she spent at McKee Marsh observing and teaching herself the finer points of shorebird identification. She taught classes in her home adjacent to the Illinois Prairie Path, where she had more than 200 yard birds, on her favorite subject, shorebirds.

She so enjoyed shorebirds that she traveled to Mai Po Nature Reserve in Hong Kong just to see her dream bird, the critically endangered Spoon-billed Sandpiper.

Attu Island in the Aleutians became part of her birding experience, as well, and she often recalled with a chuckle the arduous 15-mile roundtrip hike to see the White-tailed Eagle. It tested her endurance; as she trekked across soft, hilly tundra, rappelled down the side of a cliff, hiked along the beach and into the valley, all the while being enticed to the persevere by Nobel Proctor with a stash of Oreo cookies.

According to Larry Balch, who led the trips to Attu, it was equally as difficult for Muriel to see the White-throated Needletail. Muriel, who was hypoglycemic, had to climb over 500 feet around the side of Weston Mountain, Balch said, adding Nobel Proctor again came to her aid.

She liked to recall her birding trip to France with Davis Finch, the destination chosen for equal parts of seeing life birds and the opportunity to use her French language skills to translate birds' common names.

While birding was her love interest, nothing in nature escaped her keen eye or failed to arouse her curiosity. She was a consummate student of nature.

When a few years ago her eyesight began to deteriorate and birding with binoculars became difficult, she continued to go afield identifying birds by vocalizations. And finally confined to the nursing home, Marilyn Bell gave back to her mentor by frequently visiting Muriel, acting as her advocate, and challenging her to identify birds in photographs. She loved it! To the end the joy she found in birds was the ultimate fulfillment.

Muriel Smith earned the respect of all, novice and professional alike.

— Written by Betsy Fikejs, an experienced Illinois birder

Field Notes:

The 2013 Breeding Season

by Steven D. Bailey

Field Notes drawing of Black-headed Grosbeak by Kevin Sierzega.

The summer/breeding season in Illinois is fast becoming much more dynamic with the effects of global climate change showing up in various aspects of a species' phenology. The arrival and departure dates of many species in migration are lengthening. Various species' breeding ranges within the state are creeping northward, and are becoming increasingly common in areas where they were once rare or did not occur at all. Several species are now appearing regularly in the state during the breeding season, which formerly only occurred in a limited part of the state. Although some are not yet breeding, they no doubt will be in the near future. Global climate change also is contributing to the length of time that a species is moving through the state during migration, whether it be because of earlier arrival and departure dates in spring (various ducks and geese and passerines) or as earlier arrival times in spring and fall (Merlin, various passerines). The explosion of tundra-nesting geese migrating through and wintering in Illinois due to global climate change is beginning to form a small but regular population of such geese remaining in the state well into the breeding season, whether it be due to increasing numbers of hunter-injured birds that cannot fly north to their breeding grounds, or simply as small numbers of non-breeding young geese simply decide to spend their first year summering on their wintering grounds.

There were 228 species (plus 2 exotics) of birds reported during the 2013 breeding season. There were also several other species of migrants (not reported herein) comprised of many more late spring departing species (mostly warblers and flycatchers) and early arriving fall species (mostly shorebird migrants). Of these, 180 were species that breed within the state, and of these, 126 (plus one exotic) were noted with some evidence of at least attempting to nest. Of the remainder, I would consider 26 to be summer visitors, which include a hodgepodge of late spring migrants (Franklin's, Laughing and Lesser Black-backed Gulls, Arctic Tern, Alder Flycatcher), and birds that linger into summer and are possibly hoping for another of its species to mate and nest with here (Least and Alder Flycatchers, Blue-headed Vireo). Some may simply be wandering birds (Laughing Gull, Black Rail, Winter Wren) and some may actually have nested or attempted to nest (Black Rail, Least and Alder Flycatchers, Blue-headed Vireo, Winter Wren). Another 14 species were migrants, mostly late spring migrants (Red-necked Phalarope, Olive-sided Flycatcher, Swainson's and Hermit Thrush, Tennessee, Golden-winged and Connecticut Warblers, Northern Waterthrush, White-throated and Lincoln's Sparrows, Purple Finch) and a few, early fall migrants (Merlin, Tennessee Warbler). Notice that several of the same species could fall into more than one category, though I placed them into one for the sake of my numerical separations. It is likely best to not guess too much with some bird dates of appearance as to which direction they are moving, whether birds are heading north to their breeding grounds or south to their wintering grounds, or as I like to say, coming or going. Little to no radio tracking has been done involving specific migratory movements involving birds migrating outside their normal migration periods. However, there have been a few anecdotal examples where individuals were shown to make movements that not even the most experienced ornithologist could have anticipated.

Six other species were vagrants and included the Royal Tern, Tricolored Heron, White-winged Dove and Black-headed Grosbeak, while the other two species, Greater Scaup and White-winged Scoter, were actually likely late winter holdovers that still had not recovered from having experienced near-starvation conditions on Lake Michigan. Additionally, this summer's Snow and Ross's Goose records fall under the category of other, mostly involving injured birds, but also some birds that apparently just decided not to migrate any farther north than Illinois.

2013 Breeding Season weather

The weather conditions for the summer breeding season would not be complete without at least some mention of the spring conditions since many bird species in Illinois begin nesting from early spring onward (some as either as January, February or March), plus drought, heavy precipitation and even strong winds can have a dramatic effect on the outcome of many species' breeding attempts. Statewide April temperatures averaged 50.2°F which was 2.3° below normal. Precipitation averaged 6.9 inches for the month, 3.13 inches or 83 percent above normal. Average, statewide temperatures and precipitation in Illinois during May were above average. Temperatures averaged 63.6° F in May, 1.1° F above the long-term average. Precipitation averaged 6.87 inches for the month, 2.25 inches above the long-term average. Precipitation ranged from 10.08 in the west district to 4.38 inches in the northeast district.

Temperatures were below the long-term average in Illinois during June and precipitation was above average. Temperatures averaged 71.5° F in June, 0.3° below the long-term average. Statewide precipitation for June averaged 5.19 inches, 0.99 inches above the long-term average and more than double the total of 1.80 inches for June 2012. Northern and east-central Illinois around Crawford and Lawrence Counties received the most rain. Temperatures averaged 73.3° F in July, 2.5° below the long-term average. Precipitation averaged 3.19 inches statewide in July or 0.64 inches below the 1981–2010 average for the month. The heaviest rainfall was seen in southern Illinois where Mt. Vernon reported 9.42 inches, the highest for the month. Much of central and northern Illinois were 1 to 3 inches below average.

The state received 31.93 inches in the first seven months of 2013, 8.06 inches above the average. It was the second wettest January–July on record. This is a significant change from 2012, when the state was in severe drought. At that time, only 14.15 inches of precipitation fell during the same January–July period.

Although it was not as readily apparent, as it seemed to be with the drought of last summer, which appeared to affect the breeding success of many birds, especially the wrens, the only thing that will be typical in Illinois when it comes to the weather is that it will be different from last year. And often that will not benefit the birds and other animals that live in certain areas of the state and require certain conditions for breeding.

Record Keeping

To show the spread and increase across the state of many bird species due to global climate change, I have given as many records as space allows. It has become impractical or impossible to show all such records for many species due to the rapid and dramatic increases in summering and/or breeding numbers of species like American White Pelican, Eurasian Collared-Doves, Cliff Swallows and even species such as Bald Eagles, Summer Tanagers and Blue Grosbeaks, especially in northern Illinois.

Other species whose numbers continue to increase or whose ranges continue to expand (mostly northward) include the Wild Turkey, Double-crested Cormorant, Great Blue Heron, Turkey Vulture, Osprey, Cooper's and Red-shouldered Hawks, Sandhill Crane, Black-necked Stilt, Spotted Sandpiper, Pileated Woodpecker, White-eyed Vireo, Blue-gray Gnatcatcher, Tufted Titmouse, Carolina Wren, Northern Parula, Yellow-throated, Prairie and Pine Warblers, Yellow-breasted Chat, Clay-colored Sparrow, Orchard Oriole, and Eurasian Tree Sparrow.

Species that continue to decline, mostly due to unknown reasons but at least partially due to habitat loss and degradation as well as from the negative effects of global climate change, include the Northern Bobwhite, Ring-necked Pheasant, both Yellow-billed and Black-billed Cuckoos, Common Nighthawk, Eastern Whip-poor-will, Chuck-will's-widow, Red-headed Woodpecker, Loggerhead Shrike, Blue Jay, American Crow, Wood Thrush and Grasshopper Sparrow, to name a few of the more obvious species. To show their continuing increase, spread or decline, I have given more records for these species than I might otherwise would have.

As an example of a species that has really come back from its former meager breeding numbers, especially since I became interested in birdwatching in the 1970s, is Cliff Swallow, which was once a "rare summer resident" (Bohlen 1989). Most young birders today might not realize how rare these swallows were years ago. Today, they can once again be found nesting under almost any large or small bridge in western and southern Illinois, and a few small colonies are beginning to spring up in many areas of northeastern Illinois and even in east-central Illinois where they are still an uncommon breeding bird.

At the other extreme, it is now noteworthy to keep track of locations where there are even just two or three singing male Wood Thrushes or Grasshopper Sparrows, once much more common inhabitants of their respective forest and grassland habitats. Although the Henslow's Sparrow is somewhat of a success story, relatively recently having been removed from the Illinois Threatened Species list, it's likely it won't be long until the Grasshopper Sparrow will be added to that list. Lately, I have been finding many more Henslow's Sparrows during the breeding season in my many travels throughout Illinois each summer, than I do Grasshopper Sparrows.

Breeding and summer-season occurrences of boreal forest bird species in Illinois

Scientists believe that northern regions, including the boreal forest and especially the Arctic, are likely to be hit hardest by climate change. This means changes to and even loss of critical habitat for hundreds of species that rely on this area (see http://borealbirds.org/threats-boreal-birds). Usually as populations begin changing in bird species, the easiest ones to detect will be the most common, populous species. It has become apparent the last few migration seasons in Illinois that something is up with various boreal forest passerine species being detected later than ordinary in spring (i.e. well into June) as well as substantially earlier in fall (i.e. late July), especially with some of the more common boreal breeding species, and especially in the past two years. Since this is within the time period usually relegated to the summer breeding species for most birds in Illinois, I will discuss this topic here. Although many of these late departures and early arrivals are most noticeable in the passerine species, the relatively recent occurrences of Snow, Ross's, and Greater White-fronted Geese lingering well into June and sometimes all summer, as well as two recent summer seasons with June and July records of Western Grebes (with few historic records of occurrence in Illinois at this season), are likely related to global climate change effects occurring in the Arctic and boreal regions of North America. Another species showing up much earlier in July in recent years in Illinois also has a close affinity for boreal forest wetland habitats for nesting, the Merlin. A study on the Alaskan boreal forest found that since the

1950s, closed-basin ponds have shrunk considerably in both number and surface area (see http://borealbirds.org/threats-boreal-birds). Shrinking habitat likely means that the species dependent on such habitats will either look for similar habitat in other areas to breed in, or they will simply not breed and decline in numbers.

Looking in this season's field notes you will find the many unusual summer records that I speak of for the Arctic nesting geese, Western Grebe and Merlins. Also take note of the various records for several other common, boreal forest breeding passerine species in which there are either mid- to late June records or early arriving late July records for species like Blue-headed Vireo, Red-breasted Nuthatch (several nesting attempts including this summer), Winter Wren, Swainson's and Hermit Thrushes, Northern Waterthrush, Blackpoll, Chestnut-sided and Tennessee Warblers, Lincoln's and White-throated Sparrows and Purple Finch, in this and in the recent pasts years' summer seasons. Other common to very common boreal forest breeders that have either lingered well into June and/or have arrived exceptionally early in fall (i.e. late July) and even summered, either last summer or in other recent breeding seasons, include several of the same species mentioned above, as well as other common passerine breeding species of the boreal forest like Golden-crowned Kinglet (several breeding attempts), Magnolia Warbler, White-throated (even nested in downtown Chicago) and White-crowned Sparrows and Dark-eyed Junco. Although it has become quite apparent how numerous some formerly strictly southern Illinois breeders like Summer Tanager, Blue Grosbeak and Orchard Oriole to name a few, have increasingly moved their breeding ranges northward in Illinois in recent years, it will be interesting to see how the continued and progressive affects of global climate change will also begin changing the summer season boreal forest (and even Arctic) species' migration timetables, as well as the possible southern expansion of some species breeding ranges, like the Merlin and likely several other species.

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The following abbreviations for place names have been used throughout this report:

AlmondM	= Almond Marsh Nature Preserve (Lake Co)
Amax	= Amax Coal Company property (Wabash Co)
AmnBot	= American Bottoms (Monroe County)
Athens_	= Athens BBS (Menard Co)
Atkinson_	= Atkinson BBS (Henry Co)
BannerM	= Banner Marsh State Fish & Wildlife Area (Fulton/Peoria Cos)
BeanRdg	= Bean Ridge, Shawnee National Forest (Alexander Co)
Beaucoup_	= Beaucoup BBS (Washington/ Clinton Cos)
BeaverdamL_	= Beaverdam Lake BBS (Pope Co)
Belknap_	= Belknap BBS (Johnson Co)
Bellrose Reserve	= Bellrose Waterfowl Reserve, Cypress Creek NWR (Pulaski Co)
BraidwoodL	= Braidwood Lake (Will Co)
BuseyWds	= Busey Woods Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)
CampPoint_	= Camp Point BBS (Adams Co)
CaneyCrk	= Caney Creek, Shawnee National Forest, Pomona Twp (Jackson Co)
CarlL-B or C or F	= Carlyle Lake (Bond, Clinton, or Fayette Cos)
CarsonSl	= Carson Slough Park, Sugar Grove (Kane Co)
CaveCrk	= Cave Creek Valley, Shawnee National Forest, Pomona Twp (Jackson Co)
CBG	= Chicago Botanic Garden (Cook Co)
Champaign	= Champaign (Champaign Co)
Chau	= Lake Chautauqua National Wildlife Refuge (Mason Co)
Chi	= Chicago--excl. Jackson Park & Lake Calumet (Cook Co)
ClintonL	= Clinton Lake (DeWitt Co)
COLSP	= Chain-O-Lakes State Park (Lake Co)
Columbia_	= Columbia BBS (Monroe/St. Clair Cos)
CONWR	= Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge (Williamson Co)
CRSNA	= Cache River State Natural Area (Johnson/Pulaski Cos)
DPCA	= Des Plaines Conservation Area (Will Co)
Dudleyville_	= Dudleyville BBS (Bond Co)
ECapeGir	= East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co)
EForkL	= East Fork Lake (Richland Co)
Emiquon	= The Nature Conservancy Emiquon Preserve (Fulton Co)
ESTL	= East St. Louis (St Clair Co)
Fairbury_	= Fairbury BBS (Livingston/Ford Counties)
Fermi	= Fermilab (DuPage Co)
FerneClyffe	= Ferne Clyffe State Park (Johnson Co)
FGP	= Forest Glen Preserve (Vermilion Co)
GlacialPk	= Glacial Park Conservation Area (McHenry Co)
GLNTC	= Great Lakes Naval Training Center (Lake Co)
GLPSNA	= Goose Lake Prairie State Natural Area (Grundy Co)
GreenR	= Green River State Wildlife Area (Lee Co)
GreeneVal	= Greene Valley Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
GreenWing	= Green Wing Environmental Labratory (Lee Co)
HennepinL	= Hennepin-Hopper Lake Restoration Area (Putnam Co)
Heron CP	= Heron County Park (Vermilion Co)
HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl	= Heron Pond / Little Black Slough State Natural Area (Johnson Co)
HL	= Horseshoe Lake State Park (Madison Co)
IBSP	= Illinois Beach State Park (Lake Co)
ICCA	= Iroquois County Conservation Area (Iroquois Co)
Jamestown_	= Jamestown BBS (Clinton/Madison Cos)
Jarvis	= Bill Jarvis Migratory Bird Sanctuary, Lincoln Pk, Chicago (Cook Co)

Abbreviations for place names, *continued*

JP = Jackson Park and vicinity, Chicago (Cook Co)
JubileeC = Jubilee College State Park (Peoria Co)
Kankakee = Kankakee (Kankakee County)
KankakeePks = LeVasseur/Perry Farm Parks, Kankakee (Kankakee Co)
KCP = Kennekuk County Park (Vermilion Co)
Kinnikinnick = Kinnikinnick Creek Conservation Area (Boone Co)
KRSP = Kankakee River State Park (Kankakee County)
KSRA = Kickapoo State Recreation Area (Vermilion Co)
Kell_ = Kell BBS (Marion Co)
KLMSNA = Kidd Lake Marsh State Natural Area (Monroe Co)
LaSalleL = LaSalle Lake State Fish & Wildlife Area (LaSalle Co)
LCal = Lake Calumet, Chicago (Cook Co)
LostMound = Lost Mound NWR (former Savanna Army Depot) (Jo Daviess Co)
LOW = Lake of the Woods Forest Preserve (Champaign Co)
LowdMil = Lowden-Miller State Forest (Ogle Co)
LRSNC = Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center (Cook Co)
LSpfld = Lake Springfield, Springfield (Sangamon Co)
LSummerset_ = Lake Summerset BBS (Stephenson Co)
LRSNC = Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center, Palos (Cook Co)
MArb = Morton Arboretum (Lisle, DuPage Co)
Martinsville_ = Martinsville BBS (Clark/Crawford Cos)
Maz/Braid = Mazonia/Braidwood State Fish & Wildlife Area (Kankakee/Grundy Cos)
McCunePra = McCune Sand Prairie Nature Preserve (Bureau Co)
McDowellGr = McDowell Grove Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
McGinnis = McGinnis Slough (s.w. Cook Co)
MeadbrkPk = Meadowbrook Park, Urbana (Champaign Co)
MermetL = Mermet Lake State Fish & Wildlife Area (Massac Co)
Midewin = Midewin National Tallgrass Prairie (Will Co)
MidSav = Middlefork Savanna Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
Milford_ = Milford BBS (Iroquois/Vermilion Cos)
MillCrk_ = Mill Creek BBS (Ogle Co)
MissPalis = Mississippi Palisades State Park (Carroll Co)
MlrMdws = Miller Meadows Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
MMRNWR = Middle Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge (Jackson Co)
MomenceSod = H & E Sod Farm, Momence (Kankakee Co)
MomenceWet = Momence Wetlands Nature Preserve (Kankakee Co)
Montrose = Montrose Harbor, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
MoraineHills = Moraine Hills State Park (McHenry Co)
MRB = Mississippi River Blufflands (Monroe Co)
Nachusa = Nachusa Grasslands (Lee Co)
NelsonL = Nelson Lake Marsh Nature Preserve (Kane Co)
New Lenox_ = New Lenox BBS (Will Co)
NoP = North Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
NPM = North Point Marina, Winthrop Harbor (Lake Co)
NygrenWet = NygrenWetlands Preserve (Winnebago Co)
Palos = Palos area (sw. Cook Co)
PaulDouglas = Paul Douglas Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Pembroke = Pembroke Township (Kankakee Co)
PereMarquette = Pere Marquette State Park (Jersey Co)
PineHills = Pine Hills/LaRue Research Natural Area, Shawnee National Forest (Union Co)
PlumCrk = Plum Creek Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Pomona = Pomona area (Jackson Co)
Pontiac_ = Pontiac BBS (Livingston Co)
PoplarCrk = Poplar Creek Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
Pratt'sWW = Pratt's Wayne Woods Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
PrRdg-J = Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Jasper Co)
PrRdg-M = Prairie Ridge State Natural Area (Marion Co)
Pulaski_ = Pulaski BBS (Pulaski/Alexander Cos)
RendL = Rend Lake (Jefferson Co)
RockCut = Rock Cut State Park (Winnebago Co)
Rckfd = Rockford (Winnebago Co)
RollinsSav = Rollins Savannah Forest Preserve (Lake Co)
Ryerson = Ryerson Conservation Area (Lake Co)
St. Morgan_ = St. Morgan BBS (Madison Co)
SaltCrk = Salt Creek Woods Nature Preserve (Cook Co)
SandRidge = Sand Ridge State Forest (Mason Co)
Sang = Sangamon County
SauerKame = Sauer Family Prairie Kame Forest Preserve (Kane Co)
Sheffield_ = Sheffield BBS (Bureau Co)
Sherrard_ = Sherrard BBS (Mercer/Warren Cos)
SiloamSpr = Siloam Springs State Park (Adams/Brown Cos)
SoP = South Pond, Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co)
SouthFm = University of Illinois's South Farm properties, Urbana (Champaign Co)
Spfld = Springfield (Sangamon Co)
Springbrk = Springbrook Prairie Forest Preserve (DuPage Co)
SpringCrk = Spring Creek Valley Forest Preserve (Cook Co)
StarvedRock = Starved Rock State Park (LaSalle Co)
Stillwell_ = Stillwell BBS (Hancock Co)
Streator_ = Streator BBS (Livingston Co)
SugarR = Sugar River Alder Forest Preserve (Winnebago Co)
SwallowCliff = Swallow Cliff Woods Forest Preserve (Palos, Cook Co)
TOT = Trail of Tears State Forest (Union Co)
Troy Grove_ = Troy Grove BBS (Bureau/LaSalle Cos)
TwoRivers = Two Rivers National Wildlife Refuge (Calhoun Co)
UCCA = Union County Conservation Area (Union Co)
UMRNWR = Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife Refuge (Carroll Co)
Union_ = Union BBS (McHenry Co)
VoloBog = Volo Bog State Natural Area (Lake Co)
WaterfallGlen = Waterfall Glen Forest Preserve (Du Page Co)
Wauk = Waukegan Beach & Harbor (Lake Co)
Waynesville_ = Waynesville BBS (McLean Co)
WhispWil = Whispering Willows Park, (Kane Co)

The following abbreviations have been used throughout this report:

ad(s)	= adult(s)	#(s)	= number(s)	**EA**	= Earliest Arrival(s)
alt	= alternate plumage (breeding)	m.ob.	= many observers	**LD**	= Latest Departure(s)
cop	= copulating	*	= documented record	**MC**	= Maximum Count(s)
est	= estimate(d)	**	= specimen record	**COS**	= Chicago Ornithological Society field trip
et al.	= and other	ph(s)	= photo(s)	**IYBC**	= Illinois Young Birders Club field trip
♀	= female(s)	plum	= plumage	**IOS**	= Illinois Ornithological Society field trip
HY	= hatch year juveniles	pr(s)	= pair(s)	**FMNH**	= Field Museum of Natural History
imm	= immature	prop	= property	**KCA**	= Kane County Audubon field trip
incl	= including	resp	= respectively	**NBSO**	= Non-Breeding Summe Occurrence
ind(s)	= individual(s)	subad(s)	= subadult(s)	**NPBW**	= North Pond Bird Walk
juv(s)	= juvenile(s)	vid	= video	**WIBW**	= Wooded Island Bird Walk
lg	= large	vr	= voice recording		
♂	= male(s)	w/	= with		
♪	= singing	yg	= young		

Apt	= Airport	I	= Island	Sav	= Savanna
B	= Beach	L	= Lake	SF	= State Forest
BHCO	= Brown-headed Cowbird	L&D	= Lock & Dam	SHS	= State Historic Site
BBC	= SNF Breeding Bird Census	LWR	= Land & Water Reserve	Sl	= Slough
BBS	= USGS Breeding Bird Survey	M	= Marsh	SFWA	= State Fish & Wildlife/ Waterfowl Area
BS	= Bird Sanctuary	NA	= Natural Area	SNA	= State Natural Area
Btms	= Bottoms	NC	= Nature Center	SNF	= Shawnee National Forest
C	= College	NHL	= National Historic Landmark	So.	= South
CA	= Conservation Area	No.	= North	SP	= State Park
Cem	= Cemetery	NP	= Nature Preserve	SRA	= State Recreation Area
Co(s)	= County(ies)	NWR	= National Wildlife Refuge	Trl	= Trail
CP	= County Park	OSL	= Open Space Lands	Univ	= University
Crk	= Creek	PHA	= Pheasant Habitat Area	USF&WS	= United States Fish & Wildlife Service
D	= Dam	Pk	= Park	Wet	= Wetland(s)
EA	= Ecological Area	Pra	= Prairie	WMA	= Wildlife Management Area
FP	= Forest Preserve	Pr	= Preserve	Wds	= Woods
FS	= Field Station	R	= River	WS	= Wildlife Sanctuary
GC	= Golf Course	RA	= Recreation Area	WTP	= Water Treatment Plant
H	= Harbor	Res	= Reservoir		
HA	= Habitat Area	Rd	= Road		

A number in parentheses ( ) indicates the number of birds observed at a particular location or on a particular date. No number signifies single birds. Place names given in italic type are counties. The sequence of records within species accounts, except for maximum counts, begin in northwest Illinois (Jo Daviess, Carroll and Whiteside counties), proceed to the east, then continue back and forth across the state in a systematic pattern with the southernmost records at the end.

Transparent directionals (n.=north(ern), ne. = northeast(ern), etc.), and including c.= central, are used where applicable. Words referring to natural features are generally not abbreviated in names of residential communities (thus Forest Park, Fall Creek, Garden Prairie, etc.).

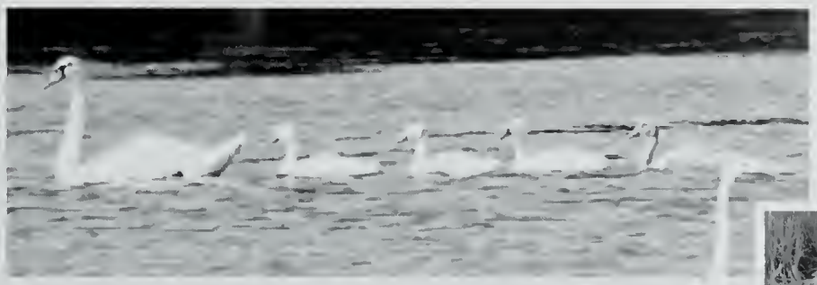
Headings for species requiring IORC (Illinois Ornithological Records Committee) review in parts of Illinois or in some plumages are underlined, while those for species requiring review of all records are CAPITALIZED AND UNDERLINED. Species names that have only been underlined represent species that are either rare or unusual during the summer breeding season. Documentation of such records through the IORC would be appropriate and appreciated. Records pending IORC review are enclosed in square brackets [ ]. The IORC review list can be viewed at the IOS/IORC website, http://www.illinoisbirds.org/iorc.html. Noteworthy dates and sites of occurrence and remarkably high counts for the state as a whole or for particular regions of the state are underlined and/or boldfaced, and some further editorial remarks are also boldfaced. Four-letter alpha or bird-banding codes in capitalized letters (e.g. WODU for Wood Duck, PUMA for Purple Martin, etc.) developed by the USGS Bird Banding Laboratory are occasionally used as abbreviations within the species accounts.

Remarks on the historical significance of records aim to be valid for the corpus of data published in H. David Bohlen's 1989 Birds of Illinois and the seasonal summeries in the Illinois journals Illinois Birds and Birding (summer 1984 – spring 1991) and Meadowlark (summer 1991 – present). Data from other sources may have bearing on the validity of these remarks. Species names and sequence correspond to the American Ornithologist's Union Check-List of North American Birds and its supplements through the 52nd supplement (2011). The 2003 DeLorme Illinois Atlas & Gazetteer has been used as a standard for spelling of place names for sites included therein.

Some records not printed here may still be under IORC (Illinois Ornithological Records Committee) review; when completed, they will appear in the published IORC report. As standard policy, all observers, regardless of experience, must fully document all unusual observations. Easy to use documentation forms are available from IORC Secretary, Paul Sweet, 2114 Elisha Ave., Zion, IL 60099. Completed documentation forms of "listed" species should be submitted to the IORC Secretary within one week of the observation.

Black-bellied Whistling-Duck

NBSO: Athens (Menard Co) (2), 4-7 Jun (PAM, KAM et al.). Sixth summer/breeding season in a row that this species has been found in Illinois.



Mute Swan with young. Heron County Park, Vermilion County. 13 July 2013. Photo by Joel Tucker.

Mute Swan nest. Redwing Slough, Lake County. 2013. Photo by Brad Semel.

Snow Goose

NBSO: Goose Lk Twp (Grundy Co) (blue morph), 3 Jun (DBa:ph); Emiquon (12), 10 Jun (JLe:ph); Chau (white morph; probable injury), 5&19 Jul (RGB, SNB); Sang ("several, both blue & white morphs, some injured"), until 16 Jun (HDB); Hartford (Madison Co), 8 Jul (JWL); CarlL-C (8 & 6 injured birds), 2 & 30 Jun resp (DMK, MSS), w/one thru 21 Jul (DMK).

Hybrid: Snow/Ross's Goose hybrid, LSpfld, 13 Jun (HDB:ph).

Ross's Goose

NBSO: CarlL-C (injured), 2 Jun (DMK). **Hybrid**: LSpfld (ad), 13 Jun (HDB:ph). "appears to have some SNGO genes".

Canada Goose

Breeding: NygrenWet (8 ad w/6 downy chicks), 7 Jun (DTW); Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co) (active nest), 5 Apr (EWW); IBSP (4 yg), 11 May (EWW); McDowellGr (pr w/9 goslings), 3 Jun (PAM); JP (groups of 6,2 & 2 yg), 2 Jun (PRC); Champaign (nest w/3-4 eggs atop downtown building), 10 May (JBt). **MC**: 300, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 9 Jul (DMK); 289, *s. Monroe*, 21 Jul (C&PD); 245, JP, 2 Jul (RLS); 200, TwoRivers, 12 Jul (DMK); 200, BaldwinL (St. Clair Co), 4 Jul (DMK, MSS); 200, CarlL-C, 2 Jun (DMK); 190, Sang, 22 Jul (HDB); 187, NoP, 5 Jun (GAW); 150, Milford WTP (Iroquois Co), 8 Jun (GAW et al.); 145, WhispWil, 5 Jun (JBH); 135, LCal (WolfL), 3 Jun (DFS); 110, HennepinL, 15 Jul (DTW).

Mute Swan

Breeding: RedwingSl SNA (Lake Co) (pr @ nest w/6 eggs), May/Jun (BS:ph); Aurora Twp (Kane Co) (pr w/5 medium-sized downy cygnets), 29 Jul (KF:ph); Cadence Pond (DuPage Co) (5 incl pr w/3 juv), 30 Jun (GP); RenwickL (Will Co) (fledglings), 30 Jun (DFS); HennepinL (pr @ nest), 21 Jul (EWW); BannerM (pr w/3 yg), 16 Jun (EWW); SpringL SFWA (Tazewell Co) (5 juv), 4 Jul (JBH); Heron CP (ad on nest), 1 & 20 Jun (JR & SDB resp), w/2 of 4 eggs hatching, 21 Jun (JR) & ad w/4 fledlings, 13 Jul (JT:ph). **MC**: 52, SpringL SFWA (Tazewell Co), 4 Jul (JBH); 20, BannerM, 9 Jun (SZ); 19, LCal (WolfL), 25 Jul (DFS); 18, RenwickL (Will Co), 12 Jul (DFS); 15, Emiquon, 1 Jun (KAM, IOS); 10, BannerM, 16 Jun (EWW); 9, MoraineHills, 9 Jun (MS); 7, Wauk, 1 Jun (AS). **Others**: Lake Zurich (Lake Co) (4), 1 Jul (SL); Antioch (Lake Co) (4), 6 Jul (LM); RollinsSav (pr), 2 Jun – 14 Jul (ND); Ware (Levee Rd, Union Co) (2), 22 Jun (KAM).

Trumpeter Swan

Breeding: McGinnis (pr w/ one cygnet), 11 Jun (DFS).

Wood Duck

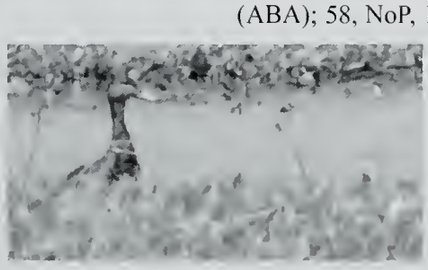
Breeding: Zion (Lake Co) (♀ w/5, few-day-old yg), 27 Jun (EWW); NygrenWet (♀ w/5 & ♀ w/10 chicks), 7 & 8 Jun resp (DTW); Rochelle (Ogle Co) (5♀ w/broods), 22 Jul (DTW); Kilbuck Creek HA (Ogle Co) (♀ w/2 lg yg & ♀ w/7 small yg), 10 Jul (SDB); CarpentersvilleD (Kane Co) (♀ w/6 yg), 9 Aug (CMo:ph); MArb (ad w/7 juv), 14 Jul (LR); Les Arends FP (Kane Co) (♀ w/10 small, downy chicks), 7 Jun (CMo:ph); Wolf Rd Pra NP (Cook Co) (♀ w/11 yg), 5 Jun (LP); SaltCrk (♀ w/5 juv), 4 Jun (DFS); LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (♀ w/3 yg), 15 Jun (GAW); NoP (broods of 2 & 4 fledglings), 5 Jun (GAW); Chicago Portage Wds (Cook Co) (♀ w/7 yg), 15 Jun (LRt); Chi (Columbus Pk) (2♀ w/18 juv), 16 Jul (EDG); LCal (Burnham Pra) (♀ w/4 downy chicks), 31 Jul (WJM, SBB); JP (♀ w/3 yg), 22 Jun (RLS); HennepinL (♀ w/9 yg), 17 Jun & (16 broods of 85 small to medium-sized chicks), 27 Jul (DTW & DFS resp); Morris Twp (Grundy Co) (♀ w/3 small yg), 18 Jun (SDB); KankakeePks (♀ w/8 yg), 26 Jun (JBH); Millbrook Twp (Peoria Co) (♀ w/8 downy yg), 8 Jun (SDB); Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (♀ w/12 juv), 14 Jun (PB); Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co) (♀ w/14 juv), 25 Jun (EW); KCP (nest w/yg), 3 Jun (JR); SiloamSpr (4 ad w/20 fledglings), 15 Jun (BSl); *St. Clair* (2♀ w/22 yg), 5 Jun (KAM); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (2♀ w/20 yg & ♀ w/7 yg), 26 Jun & 9 Jul resp (DMK). **MC**: 515, HennepinL, 27 Jul (DFS); 109, Sang, 1 Jul (HDB); 89, Emiquon, 13 Jul (TH); 75, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 22 Jul (DTW); 70, MoraineHills, 6 Jul (JL); 45, Eola RdM (DuPage Co), 3 Jul (ASA).

Gadwall

NygrenWet, 8 Jun (KAM); LCal (ad ♂), 2 Jun (WJM); HennepinL (4), 16 Jun (DFS); GLPSNA (ad), 18 Jun (SDB); Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (♂&♀), 13 Jun (CLH).

Mallard

Breeding: NygrenWet (♀ w/8 chicks), 7 Jun (DTW); PelicanI (MississippiR, Carroll Co) (5 nests), 1 Jul (SJD); FoxR Shores (Carpentersville, Kane Co) (♀ 2 very small chicks), 15 May (CMo:ph); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (3 ♀ w/1, 4 & 9 small yg & 7 juv), 15 Jun (ABA); LaBagh Wds FP (Cook Co) (3♀ & 6 yg), 15 Jun (GAW); Chi (Rosehill Cem) (20 incl 10 yg), 7 Jul (RW); JP (3 families w/16 yg), 8 Jun (PD et al.); Champaign (pr w/9 chicks), 25 Apr (RK:ph); CarlL-C (ad w/9 fledglings), 15 Jun (DMK). **MC**: 300, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 1 Jul (DMK); 150, Oswego (120, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 27 Jul (DTW); 140, Rock Falls (RockR dam, Whiteside Co), 31 Jul (DH); 120, PeacockM (Will Co), 16 Jul (JAS); 115, HennepinL, 9 Jul (TH); 80, MiddleburyM (Will Co), 11 Jun (ASA); 78, Fermi, 30 Jun (PAM); 76, East Peoria (Eastport Marina, Tazewell Co), 4 Jul (JBH); 75, WhispWil, 18 Jun (JBH); 68, Harper College (Palatine, Cook Co), 17 Jul (Harper Environmental Club); 67 & 65, Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co), 15 Jun & 13 Jul resp (ABA); 58, NoP, 17 Jul (GAW); 45, Emiquon, 13 Jul (TH); 44, Chi (Columbus Pk), 18 Jul (EDG); 41, SauerKame, 7 Jun (TB); 40, GreeneVal, 12 Jul (ASA); 40, Chi (Humboldt Pk), 7 & 22 Jun (SBB); 40, YoakumM (Kendall Co), 7 Jun (ASA).



Mottled Duck. Northern Monroe County. 24 June 2013. Photo by H.David Bohlen.

MOTTLED DUCK

[Waterford Twp (Fulton Co), 4 Jul (KBR)]; MississippiR bottoms (Monroe Co) (single birds @ two locations), 24 Jun & 28 Jun – 1 Jul (DMK:ph, MSS, KAM). Fourth summer/breeding season in a row that this species has been observed in Illinois.

Blue-winged Teal

Breeding: Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (12 incl ads w/yg), 28 Jun (DMK). **MC**: 33, *sw. Monroe*, 2 Jun (C&PD); 17, RollinsSav, 25 Jul (AE); 6, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 27 Jul (DTW); 5, Lockport Pra NP (Will Co), 26 Jul (ASA). **Others**: FabyanM (West Chicago, DuPage Co) (4), 2 Jun & 30 Jul (PAM & GP resp); Fermi (4), 15 Jun (PAM); PaulDouglas (3), 9 Jun (MMC); Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co) (pr), 12 Jul (DFS); Normantown Wet (Will Co) (4), 31 Jul (ASA); LCal (Burnham Pra) (♂&♀), 4 Jun (WJM); HennepinL (4), 17 Jun (KAM); *Morgan* (4), 1 Jun (DTW); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (pr), 2 Jun (DMK); PrRdg-M (3), 12 Jun (CLH); Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (♂, 2♀), 13 Jun (CLH); East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co) (3), 29 Jun (KAM). Several other reports of 1-2 birds, mostly in northern Illinois.

Northern Shoveler

MC: 6, *Morgan*, 4 Jul (CD). **Others**: GlacialPk (4; 2♂, 2♀), 4 Jun (DTW); GrassL (Geotubel, Lake Co) (2), 2 Jun (BJS); RollinsSav (2), 16 Jun (BJS); Rock Falls (Whiteside Co), 19 Jul (DH); Chi (Columbus Pk) (♂), 12 Jun (EDG); HennepinL (2♂), 14 Jun (DFS); *LaSalle*, 6 Jul (CAT, TLK); WhispWil, 5 Jun (JBH); Greenview Wet (Woodford Co) (3), 11 Jun (TH); BigL (Brown Co) (3), 15 Jul (CD); Meredosia NWR (Morgan Co) (2), 11 Jun (JLe); LSpfld (♂), 1 Jun & 2-12 Jul (HDB); Margaret Guzy Pothole Wetlands LWR (Shelby Co) (2), 15 Jul (CLH); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (2), 7 Jun (DMK); Levee Rd (Monroe Co (4♂), 10 Jul (DMK). Several other reports of 1-2 birds, mostly in northern Illinois.

Ring-necked Duck.
Monroe County. 24 June 2013.
Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Northern Pintail

Levee Rd (Monroe Co (♂), 24 Jun - 10 Jul (DMK:ph, MSS).

Green-winged Teal

IBSP (So. Unit), 30 Jul (BJS); HainesvilleL (Lake Co) (2), 5 Jun (JLr et al.); Fermi (♂ & ♀), 1-8 Jun (PAM et al.); McGinnis (♂), 19 Jun (AFS); Montrose (2), 5 Jun (LGM); *Henry*, 2 Jun (JAS); WhispWil (♂), 19 Jun (JBH:ph); Emiquon (2), 10 Jun (JLe); *Morgan* (2), 11 Jun (JLe); PrRdg-J (♀), 5 Jun (CLH).

Canvasback

L&D 13 (Whiteside Co) (♂), 26 Jun – 2 Jul (DH:ph); LCal (WolfL) (ad ♂ w/injured wing), 9-12 Jun (WJM:ph et al.). Bird also seen on Indiana side of lake throughout Jun & Jul by m.ob.; HennepinL (♀), 14 Jun (DFS).

Redhead

HennepinL (5; 3♂, 2♀), 17 Jun (DTW, BCW, KAM), but 1 there 15 Jul (KAM); Emiquon (7), 1 Jun (KAM, IOS), w/♂ there, 27 Jul (TAM). **NBSO**: Harper College (Palatine, Cook Co) (♂), 12 Jun – 27 Jul (Harper Environmental Club); Greenview Wet (Woodford Co), 11 Jun (TH); KCP (♀), 2 Jun (NS); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (3), 2 Jun (DMK); EForkL (♀), 9 Jun (CLH).

Ring-necked Duck

RollinsSav (2), 2 Jun (BJS); HennepinL (9), 2 Jul (CH), but ♂ there, 17 Jun – 12 Jul (DTW & DFS resp); Emiquon (2♂), 1 Jun (KAM, IOS); HL (2), 8-15 Jun (GHy, FRH); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (♀), 24 Jun (DMK:ph).

Greater Scaup

NBSO: Fermi (♂), **27 Jun – 11 Jul** (DS, ASA:ph); LCal (Bend of the Little CalumetR) (ad ♂ in partial eclipse plum), **18 Jul** (WJM). Only eight other Jun/Jul records in six previous seasons for Illinois, all but one from Cook or Lake Co.

Lesser Scaup

Fermi (♂), 15 Jun (PAM:ph); Montrose (♂), 25 Jun (LGM:ph); LCal (Bend of the Little CalumetR) (2♂,♀), 3 & 7 Jun (DFS & WJM resp), but 1-3 present 2-22 Jun (WJM); WhispWil (3♀), 18 Jun (JBH:ph); Emiquon (♂), 1 Jun (KAM, IOS); HennepinL (2♂ & 3), 14 & 17 Jun (DFS & KAM resp); Chau (♀), 5 Jul (RGB, SNB); Quinsippil (Quincy, Adams Co) (♂), 16 Jun (BSl); Meredosia (Morgan Co), 1-2 Jun (fide DTW, IOS); HL, 2 Jun (FRH); EForkL (♂), 9 Jun (CLH); Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (♀), 29 Jun (CLH); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (♀), 28 Jun - 1 Jul (DMK, MSS, KAM) & (♂), 7 Jun (KAM).

White-winged Scoter

NBSO: LCal (Bend of the Little CalumetR) (2♀), **2 Jun – 1 Jul w/ one there 9 Jul** (WJM:ph, m.ob.:ph). First Jul record for this species in Illinois, and only two other Jun records in 1985 & 1997.

Bufflehead

Prescott Mill (Kendall Co) (♀), **5 Jun** (ASA:ph); HennepinL (♂), **14 Jun** (DFS).

Hooded Merganser

Breeding: MissPalis (3♀ w/broods of yg), 8 Jun (JLe); St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (♀ w/3 juv & 2 other juv elsewhere), 30 Jun (DK); PaulDouglas (♀ w/4 juv), 5 Jul (SSd); Deer Grove (East) FP (Cook Co) (♀ w/8 juv), 17 Jul (JDo); CarlL-C (3 recently fledged yg), 15 Jun (DMK). **MC**: 14, MissPalis, 8 Jun (JLe); 13, Sang, 1 Jul (HDB); 12, HennepinL, 17 Jun (KAM); 10, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 28 Jun, but 1-9 there on several dates 13 Jun – 10 Jul (DMK, MSS et al.); 9, Emiquon, 2 Jun (CAT); 6, LostMound, 6 Jul (ASA). **Others**: LCal (Burnham Pra), 7 Jun (WJM); GLPSNA (♀/juv), 12 Jul (SDB); *Fulton* (3), 2 Jun (KAM); *sw. Monroe* (4), 2 Jun (C&PD). Numerous other reports of mostly 1-2 birds from above & 12 other counties.

Red-breasted Merganser

NBSO: RainbowB (Chi) (12; 4♂, 8♀), 1 Jun (DFS); LCal (WolfL) (♂), 18 Jun (CAM).

Ruddy Duck

Breeding: HennepinL (♀ w/5-6 yg), 2 Jul (CH). **MC**: 43 & 39, HennepinL, 17 Jun & 12 Jul resp (DTW & DFS resp); 24, Emiquon, 10 Jun (JLe). **Others**: GreeneVal (pr), 20 Jul (UWG, DK); Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); Oswego (Kendall Co) (3-4), 3-5 Jun (ASA:ph); HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (♂), 6 Jul (SYD); Meredosia (Morgan Co) (2), 1 Jun (MPW, TW, IOS); LSpfld (♂), 3 Jun & 3 Jul & (♀), 31 Jul (HDB); HL, 2 Jun (FRH); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (pr), 2 Jun (DMK); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (♂), 28 Jun – 5 Jul (DMK:ph, MSS).

Northern Bobwhite

Breeding: Emiquon (4 ad & 8 yg), 21 Jul (KAM). **MC**: 66♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 50♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 24, BeaverdamL, 5 Jun (VMK); 21, Pembroke, 16 Jun (RDH); 15, *Jasper*, 5 Jun (RES); 14, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 11, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 11, Beaucoup_, 9 Jun (DMK); 10, Sang, 19 Jun (HDB); 9, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 8, Dickson Mounds (Fulton Co), 16 Jun (A&TH); 7, Dudleyville_, 12 Jun (DMK); 5, *nw. Morgan*, 20 Jul (NS); 5, CONWR, 28 Jul (JGd); . **Other**: Alba Twp (Henry Co), 2 Jun (MAM); BraidwoodL, 17 Jun (JBH); MomenceSod (2), 29 Jul (JBH); *Peoria* (4), 12 Jun (EC); ICCA (3), 1 Jun (PP); Bonnie's Pra NP (Iroquois Co) (♪♂), 21 Jun (SDB). Locally rare.; KCP (♪♂), 5-7 Jul (BL, JR). **Note**: This species has nearly become extirpated from Vermilion Co as well as much of East Central IL w/KCP being one of few Vermilion Co areas where they can still be found in the last 15-20 years (SDB).

Ring-necked Pheasant

Breeding: GLPSNA (♀ w/3 poults & 2 family groups w/2 yg each), 6 & 14 Jul (SDB & AFS resp). **MC**: 21♪♂, Sullivan Twp (Livingston Co), 25 May – 7 Jul (SDB); 20♪♂, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 13 (9♪♂ & ♀ w/3 poults), GLPSNA, 18 Jun & 6 Jul (SDB);

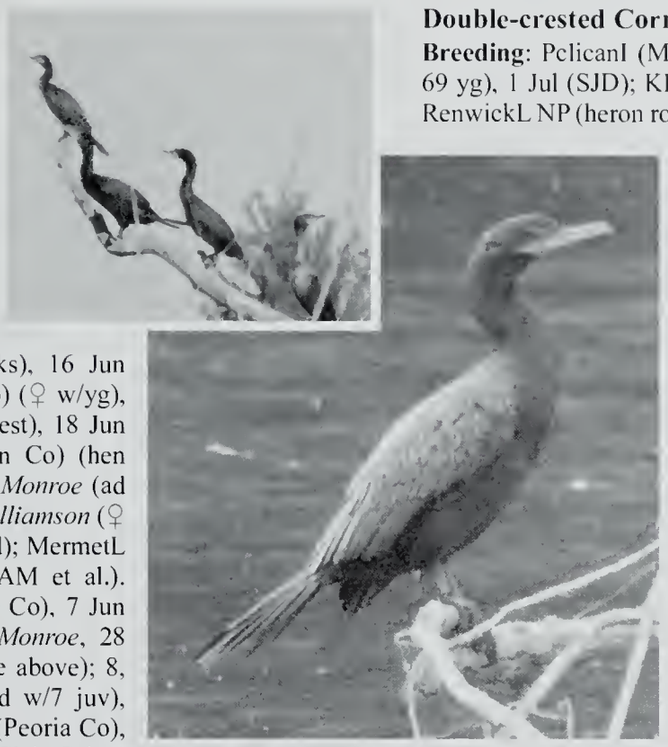
13, *e. Will*, 2 Jun (JBH); 12, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 2 Jul (CW); 8, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 7, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 7, Kankakee, 2 Jun (JBH); 5, NelsonL, 1 Jun (MM, Kane Co. Aud.); 5, Middle ForkR FP (Champaign Co), 4 Jul (JLr). **Other**: Bartel Grassland (Cook Co) (3♪♂), 21 Jun (AFS). Numerous other reports, but of only 1-3 birds.

Greater Prairie-Chicken

Bartel LWR (Marion Co) (3), 14 Jun (JLe). The only report!

Wild Turkey

Breeding: Rckfd (Anna Page Pk) (hen on nest w/14 eggs), 11 May (DTW:ph); Rckfd (Bloom School) (2 hens w/9 small, poults), 30 Aug (DTW); Greenwood Twp (McHenry Co) (hen w/7 chicks), 16 Jun (TA); Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (♀ w/yg), 7 Jun (ML); GLPSNA (♀ on nest), 18 Jun (SDB); Loami Twp (Sangamon Co) (hen w/4 juv), 13-17 Aug (DSs:ph); *Monroe* (ad w/6 small yg), 4 Jun (KAM); *Williamson* (♀ w/14 very small yg), 4 Jun (JGd); MermetL (pr w/4 small yg), 23 Jun (KAM et al.). **MC**: 15, Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co), 7 Jun (ML); 8 (3 ad w/5 juv), *sw. Monroe*, 28 Jul (C&PD); 8, *Williamson* (see above); 8, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co) (ad w/7 juv), 26 Jun (KW); 8, Forest Pk NC (Peoria Co), 21 Jun (EC); 7, BaldwinL (St. Clair Co), 4 Jul (DMK); 6, CarlL-C, 20 Jul (DMK); 5, LowdMil, 1 Jun (FH). **Others**: COLSP (4), 23 Jun (BJS); Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (2), 8 Jun (JB); Orange Twp (Knox Co) (4), 7 Jun (SDB). From 1-4 birds reported from 32 other Illinois counties.



Neotropic Cormorant, top left, Horseshoe Lake, Madison County. 28 July 2013. Photo by Frank Holmes. Right: Neotropic Cormorant. Lake Springfield, Sangamon County. 20 July 2013. Photo by H. David Bohlen.

Common Loon

NBSO: HennepinL (3), 27 Jun (PAM et al.), but one there 29 Jun & 3, 5, 9 Jul (TH et al.); CharlestonL (Coles Co) (2 basic plum), 14 Jun (RB); HomerL FP (Champaign Co) (basic plum; when first found it was up on shore but soon entered water), 2 Jul (PL:ph et al); *Jasper*, 4 Jun (RES).

Pied-billed Grebe

Breeding: RedwingSl SNA (Lake Co) (ad near nest w/one newly hatched nestling & one egg), Jun (BS:ph); GreenR (pr w/10 yg), 23 Jun (DH); Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (pr w/3 yg), 8 & 14 Jun (JSr); PeacockM (Will Co) (3 juv), 25 Jul (DK); HennepinL (5 broods of 2, 2, 3, 4 & 4 yg), 12 Jul, but 6 broods w/12 yg on 27 Jul (DFS); CarlL-C (ad w/6 yg), 15 Jun (DMK); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (ad on nest), 10 Jul (DMK). **MC**: 52, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 16 (14 ad, 2 juv), GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB). **Others**: GlacialPk (4), 4 Jun (DTW); PaulDouglas (4), 9 Jun (MMC); Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (4), 8 Jun (JS); McGinnis (5), 11 Jun (DFS); PeacockM (Will Co) (7), 16 & 31 Jul (JAS & ASA resp); Emiquon (6), 10 Jun (JLe); Cahokia Mounds (St. Clair Co), 29 Jun (DMK); Monroe (4), 16 Jun & 21 Jul (C&PD).

Eared Grebe

NBSO: PaulDouglas, 18 May - 2 Jun (SDB, SLD, FRM).

Western Grebe

HennepinL, **16-18 Jun** (TH, DTW, JAS:ph, PAM, KAM et al.). Only six other Jun/Jul Illinois records from just three previous seasons, incl four locations in Jun & Jul of 2009.

NEOTROPIC CORMORANT

LCal (3 locations in flight), 4-30 Jun (WJM) (Note: All 3 observations were in direct comparison with adjacent, flying DCCO), w/ad @ LCal (Burnham Pra), 1 Jul (AG:ph); HennepinL, 27 & 30 Jun & 5, 12 & 15 Jul (PAM:ph, DH:ph & TH & DFS & KAM resp m.ob.); LSpfld (imm), 12-23 Jun (HDB); LSpfld (ad basic plum), 19-20 Jul (HDB:ph); HL, 28 Jul (FRH:ph). Jun/Jul records from twelve previos seasons, all since 1986.

Double-crested Cormorant

Breeding: PelicanI (MississippiR, Carroll Co) (200 ad, 119 nests, 69 yg), 1 Jul (SJD); KLMSNA (5 nests), 9 Jul (DMK). **MC**: 1600, RenwickL NP (heron rookery; Will Co), 30 Jun (DFS); 730, BakersL heron rookery (Cook Co), 20 Jul (GAW); 727, Wauk, 22 Jul (AS); 562, IBSP (So. Unit), 27 Jul (TWf); 475, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 13 Jul (RBs); 350 & 184, Emiquon, 19 Jul & 7 Jun resp (AW); 304, BraidwoodL, 22 Jul (JBH); 200, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 10 Jul (DMK); 150, Montrose, 27 Jul (GAW); 147, Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 20 Jun (REP); 113, JP, 2 Jun (PRC); 101, KLMSNA, 23 Jun (C&PD); 100, Hoffman Estates (Bird Sanctuary heron rookery; Cook Co), 7 Jul (CV); 80, RendL, 14 Jul (JGd); 59, COLSP, 24 Jul (BJS); 59, HennepinL, 29 Jun (DFS); 54, UMRNWR, 28 Jun (DFS); 50, RollinsSav, 2 Jun (CS); 49, LSpfld, 4 Jun (HDB); 28, LCal (Bend of Little CalumetR), 1 Jul (WJM); 25, L&D 13 (Fulton, Whiteside Co), 28 Jun (DFS); 25, HL, 24 Jun (ACr). **Others**: LostMound (18), 8 Jun (JLe); Fermi (24), 9 Jul (GP); PaulDouglas (20), 14 Jul (SBB et al.); McGinnis (20), 11 Jun (AG); DPCA (35), 29 Jul (ASA); StarvedRock (22), 14 Jun (PV); *Will* (Rt. 6 quarry ponds) (37), 15 Jun (ASA); BraidwoodL (22), 17 Jun (JBH); CONWR (13), 7 Jul (JGd).

ANHINGA

Michael Wolff Wetlands (Johnson Co), 26 May (SDB). No later reports.

American White Pelican

Breeding: PelicanI (MississippiR, Carroll Co) (325 ad, 55 nests, 270 fledglings), 1 Jul (SJD). **MC**: 2000, Emiquon, 28 Jul (REF, UWG); 309 & 12, KLMSNA, 28 Jul & 23 Jun resp (C&PD); 300, Chau, 21-24 Jul (KAM, BG); 205 & 100, StarvedRock, 14 Jun & 13 Jul (PV & RDH, KKM resp); 131, *Whiteside* (3 MississippiR locations), 28 Jun (DFS); 120, BaldwinL (Randolph Co), 15 Jun (DMK); 120, CONWR, 5 Jun (JGd); 118 & 26, BraidwoodL, 17 & 14 Jun resp (JBH); 110, BigL (Brown Co), 21 Jul (EWW); 107, Dixon (RockR, Lee Co), 15 Jun (MMS); 105, Hennepin (Putnam Co), 21 Jul (EWW); 96, UMRNWR, 28 Jun (DFS); 70, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 24 Jun (DMK). **Others**: LostMound (11), 28 Jun (DB et al.); Sinnissippi Pk (23), 27 Jun (SBB); Winnebago Co) NygrenWet (13), 8 Jun (DTW); GlacialPk (18), 30 Jun (JRS, RC); COLSP (9), 23 Jun (BJS); Hume Twp (RockR, Whiteside Co) (35), 12 Jun (SDB); Fermi (8), 25-27 Jun (PAM et al.); LCal (Harborside GC) (14), 15 Jun (AG, WSS); RawsonL (Bureau Co) (42), 13 Jul (DFS); LSpfld (47 & 9), 12 Jun & 7 Jul resp (HDB); Two Rivers (4), 12 Jul (DMK); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (40), 7 Jun (DMK); Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (20), 30 Jun (CLH); *Randolph* (15), 28 Jun (KAM); Devil's Backbone Pk (Grand Tower, Jackson Co) (9), 6 Jul (JGd).

American Bittern

MC: 5-6 ad (3 locations) & 3 ad, GLPSNA, 6 Jul & 18 Jun resp (SDB); 3, Emiquon, 13 Jul (TH). **Others**: COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); LCal (two locations), 31 Jul (WJM, SBB); Pratt'sWW, 1 Jun (PAM); HennepinL, 18 Jun (PAM); Sibley HA (Ford Co), 4 Jun (ES); Meredosia (Morgan Co), 1 Jun (MPW, TW, IOS); Margaret Guzy

Pothole Wetlands LWR (Shelby Co) (2 & 1), 14-15 Jul (TAM, CLH); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (in flooded wheat field), 2 Jun (DMK); PrRdg-J (1-2), 11 Jun - 25 Jul (CLH, RES).

Tricolored Heron. Nygren Wetlands, Winnebago County. 6 June 2013. Photo by John Longhenry.

Least Bittern

Breeding: RedwingSl SNA (Lake Co) (ad w/downy fledgling), Jun/Jul (BS:ph). **MC**: 5, HennepinL, 27 Jun (PAM et al.); 3 (calling & saw), Emiquon, 4 Jun & 14 Jun (MJB & PB, LB resp); 3, Fulton Sand Pra NP & L&D 13 (Whiteside Co), 26 Jun (DH); 3, MermetL, 23 Jun (KAM et al.). **Others**: Wauk, 1 Jun (AFS, RE); Montrose, 1 Jun (EG:ph, NRG:ph); Pratt'sWW (2), 1 Jun (PAM); Springbrook Pra FP (DuPage Co), 15 Jun (JLS); PalatineM (Cook Co), 13 Jun (AG, EG, EDG); LCal (Burnham Pra) (juv), 25 Jul (DFS); Morris Twp (Grundy Co), 6 Jul (SDB); GLPSNA (2), 22 Jun (SDB); BannerM, 11 Jun (EC); EvergreenL (McLean Co), 29 Jul (BM); Heron CP, 4 Jun (JR); BeardstownM (Cass Co), 1 Jun (fide DTW, lOS); Margaret Guzy Pothole Wetlands LWR (Shelby Co), 15 Jul (CLH); PrRdg-M, 4 Jun (CLH); KLMSNA (2), 2 Jun (C&PD).

Great Blue Heron

Breeding: AlmondM (36 @ rookery nests), 27 Jun (MSw); Pierce Twp (DeKalb Co) (20 ad @ 15+ nests), 5 Apr (SDB); Rutland FP (Kane Co) (rookery w/ads on ~12 active nests), 4-7 Apr (JP, MMy:ph et al.); Butterfield Rookery (Kane Co) (28 birds w/many active nests in rookery), 9 Jun (MM); Danada FP (Du Page Co) (15 @ rookery nests), 6 Jul (DL); Elmhurst Quarry (DuPage Co) (ad @ nest w/1 nestling), 3 Jun (GP); PaulDouglas (36 on nest platforms w/ nests), 3 Jun (SSc); Hoffman Estates (Bird Sanctuary heron rookery, Cook Co) (36 @ rookery), 7 Jul (CV); Oak Forest Heritage FP (Cook Co) (18 on 10 nests w/6 nestlings), 6 Jun (ABA); LCal (Indian RidgeM) (19 occupied nests), 22 Apr, but only 4 active nests, 16 Jun (WJM). Many nests apparently abandoned; Heron CP (ad &/or yg in 15 nests), 20 Jun (SDB). **MC**: 170, Sang, 13 Jun (HDB). Highest ever here for summer.; 150, RenwickL Heron Rookery (Will Co), 3 Jun (ASA); 150, BigL (Brown Co), 15 Jul (CD); 120, Chau, 19 Jul (RGB, SNB); 100, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 81, Emiquon, 19 Jul (AW); 80, Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co), 2 Jun (DMK); 80, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 5 Jul (DMK); 72, UMRNWR, 28 Jun (DFS); 52, PaulDouglas, 10 Jun (SSc); 47, PaulDouglas, 9 Jun (MMC); 46, NygrenWet, 20 Jul (DTW); 41, KLMSNA, 7 Jun (C&PD); 34, Fermi, 9 Jul (GP); 30, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 2 Jun (JN et al.); 27, Meredosia area (Morgan Co), 14 Jun (PB); 25, McGinnis, 28 Jul (AG).

Great Blue Heron rookery. Heron County Park, Vermilion County. 22 March 2013. Photo by Bob Schifo.

Great Egret

Breeding: BakersL (Cook Co) (258 @ rookery), 20 Jul (GAW); LCal (Indian RidgeM) (6 occupied nests), 14 May, but only one active there 16 Jun (WJM). Most nests apparently abandoned.; RenwickL Heron Rookery (Will Co) (300 birds on nesting islands), 3 Jun (ASA). **MC**: 800, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 5 & 10 Jul (DMK); 400, MMRNWR, 21 Jul (MSr); 258, see above; 200, Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co), 7 Jun (DMK); 152, Emiquon, 13 Jul (TH); 150, ECapeGir, 5 Jul (WW); 142, Chau, 19 Jul (RGB, SNB); 115, *Lawrence*, 14 Jul (MC); 75, *Randolph*, 28 Jun (KAM); 72, Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co), 11 Jul (RBs); 70, UCCA (GrassyL), 29 Jun (LH); 67, *Henderson*, 4 Jun (CO); 61, Amax, 27 Jun (RES, CLH); 60, LostMound, 28 Jun (ASA); 59, Bartel Grassland (Cook Co), 23 Jun (TWf); 59, PeacockM (Will Co), 31 Jul (DK); 58, McGinnis, 24 Jul (MD); 50, *Jackson*, 22 Jun (GHy); 47, TwoRivers, 25 Jul (CMe, JM); 45, LCal (Burnham Prairie M), 7 Jul (AG, EDG); 35, Fermi, 20 Jul (PAM); 34, Cincinnati Twp (Tazewell Co), 2 Jun (MJW); 34, *Wabash*, 28 Jun (JPl); 33, Waterford Twp (Fulton Co), 4 Jul (DH); 30, Black CrownM LWR (McHenry Co), 5 Jun (JLr); 30, TwoRivers, 12 Jul (DMK). **Others**: NygrenWet (12), 6 Jun (JL); GlacialPk (16), 22 Jul (DO); VoloBog (12), 2 Jul (DO); RollinsSav (21), 16 Jul (BJS); MidSav (26), 9 Jul (REP); BraidwoodL (4), 17 Jun (JBH); Meredosia NWR (Morgan Co) (14), 2 Jun (TWf); LSpfld (8), 1&7 Jun (HDB). Breeding?; RendL (45), 14 Jul (JGd); MermetL (16), 12 Jul (GHy).

Snowy Egret

MC: 30, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 Jun (DMK); 15, St. Clair, 5 Jun (KAM). **Others**: LCal (Burnham Pra) (ad), 29-30 Jun (EG, WJM); Waterford Twp (Fulton Co) (3), 4 Jul (DH); Emiquon (3), 20 Jul (BM); Matanzas Beach (Mason Co), 2 Jun (TAM, MEF, lOS); Heron CP, 20 Jun (SDB). Locally rare summer record; Sang (Cotton Hill Twp) (ad), 13 Jun (HDB); UCCA (GrassyL) (4), 29 Jun (LH); ECapeGir (6), 22 Jun (KAM).

Little Blue Heron

MC: 400 & 120, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 24 Jun & 10 Jul resp (DMK); 22, *Madison*, 6 Jul (GHy); 20, ESTL, 30 Jul (KAM). **Others**: Meredosia (Morgan Co) (3 ad), 4 Jul (TW); Spfld (ads), 8 Jun & 1 Jul (HDB); TwoRivers (Calhoun Co) (4), 3 Jul (BSf).

Tricolored Heron

NygrenWet (ad), 5-7 Jun (DTW, JL:ph et al:ph).

Black-crowned Night-Heron. Robeson Park, Champaign County. 13 July 2013. Photo by Jeff Bryant.

Cattle Egret

MC: 30, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 16-28 Jun (CMe, JM, DMK, MSS); 20, Havana (Mason Co), 17 Jun (JPs). **Others**: Emiquon (10), 16 Jun (A&TH), but some all Jun/Jul (m.ob.); Meredosia (Morgan Co), 1 Jun (fide DTW, IOS); EForkL, 1 Jun (CLH); *Wayne*, 29 Jun (RES, CLH).

Green Heron

Breeding: NoP (pr @ nest), 16-17 Jun (JIN); JP (1 nestling), 27 Jul had fledged by 30 Jul (RLS); Heritage Pk (Champaign) (pr w/ one still somewhat downy juv & yg fledgling climbing limbs around edge of KaufmanL), 6 & 9 Aug resp (JT:ph). **MC**: 8, Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co), 2 Jul (RBs); 8 (ad incl 2 pr), LCal (Burnham Pra), 4 Jun (WJM); 6, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 22 Jul (DTW); 6, Pratt'sWW, 25 Jul (KW); 6, Chi (Rosehill Cem), 1 Jun (MLe); 6, Morris Twp (Grundy Co), 6 Jul (SDB); 5, Huntley (McHenry Co), 30 Jul (PVc); 5, Meredosia NWR (Morgan Co), 2 Jun (KB).

Black-crowned Night-Heron

Breeding: So. Pond & Lincoln Pk Zoo (Chi) (222 active nests & 406 ad), 12 May (Mike Mulcahy fide WJM, JIN et al.). **MC**: 406, see above; 15 (ad), LCal (Indian RidgeM), 16 Jun (WJM); 14, Meredosia (Morgan Co), 1 Jun (MPW, DTW, IOS); 12, AlmondM, 2 Jun (BJS). **Others**: StarvedRock (2), 14 Jun (PV); GLPSNA (imm), 12 Jul (SDB); RenwickL Heron Rookery (Will Co) (7), 3 Jun (ASA); Emiquon (8), 21 Jul (KAM); Waterford Twp (Fulton Co) (6), 4 Jul (DH); Champaign (Robeson Pk) (2 imm plum & 2 ad), 6 & 12-13 Jul resp (JB:ph); HL (6), 29 Jun (DMK).

Yellow-crowned Night-Heron

Breeding: LCal (Heron Pond) (ad & 2 young juv), 31 Jul (WJM:ph, SBB). **Others**: Chi (Lincoln Pk) (ad), 1-14 Jun (CCn:ph, m.ob.); SangchrisL SP (Sangamon Co) (juv), 29 Jul (HDB:ph); Cahokia Mounds SP (St. Clair Co) (3), 6 Jul (GHy); MermetL (3), 23 Jun (KAM et al.).

White-faced Ibis

HennepinL (3), 17 Jun (KAM); SpringL Twp (Tazewell Co) (3), 19 Jun (TH, MJW, KBR). Same birds?

Black Vulture

MC: 12, Giant City SP (Jackson Co), 29 Jun (LH); 12, Golconda (Pope Co), 4 Jul (LS); 9, *Jackson*, 29 Jun (KAM, IOS). **Others**: El Paso (Woodford Co), 10 Jun (TH); *w. Monroe* (3), 16 Jun (CMe, JM); GrassySl Pr (Johnson Co) (4), 23 Jun (KAM et al.); *Union* (4), 29 Jun (KAM).

Turkey Vulture

MC: 100, Oregon (RockR, Ogle Co), 20 Jun (JZ); 87 & 80, Sang, 2 Jun & 24 Jul (HDB). "Highest ever for summer."; 60 (roosting on town tower), Havana (Mason Co), 17 Jun (JPs); 60, CarlL-C, 6 Jul (DMK); 50, *Fulton*, 1 Jun (KAM, IOS); 46, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 36, HennepinL, 27 Jun (GP, KW); 36, *Monroe*, 7 Jun (KAM); 35, Athens_, 28 Jun (VMK); 34, Dresden L&D (Grundy Co), 27 Jul (AW); 32, *Kankakee*, 3 Jul (JBH); 32, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 30, ClintonL, 17 Jun (EW); 30, Sand Ridge Twp (Jackson Co), 28 Jul (RSR); 24, RockCut, 11 Jun (JL); 23, LCal, 9 Jul (WJM); 21, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 20, LCal (Bend of Little CalumetR), 9 Jul (WJM); 20, Lebanon (St. Clair Co), 19 Jun (KAM); 20, MMRNWR, 21 Jul (MSr); 20, *Alexander*, 29 Jun (KAM, IOS). **Other**: IBSP (5), 24 Jun (EWW).

Osprey

Breeding: RockCut (pr @ nest atop nest platform), 3 Apr, (w/ad feeding yg), 13 Jun & (w/2 ad & 2 imm), 13 Jul (DTW, MDs:ph); Spring Twp (Boone Co) (ad @ nest atop cell tower near I-90), 21 Jun (JLd et al.); COLSP (pr at nest platform w/2 yg), 24 Jul (BJS); Pratt'sWW (pr @ nest w/1 nestling), 2 Jul (PAM); Fermi (pr @ nest w/3 yg), 2 Jul (PAM et al.) & 2nd pr nesting on new nest platform erected last year (DS); Busse Forest NP (Cook Co) (pr w/one ad on nest in heron rookery), May-Jun (ABA); John Duffy FP (Cook Co) (Pr w/2 ad-sized juv, one in & one perched outside

Juvenile Osprey. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 13 July 2013. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Osprey young at nest. Rock Cut State Park, Winnebago County. 24 July 2013. Photo by Mike Descamps.

Yellow Warbler feeding young. Montrose, Cook County. 26 June 2013.
Photo by John Picken.

Least Bittern fledgling. Redwing Slough, Lake County. Summer 2013.
Photo by Brad Semel.

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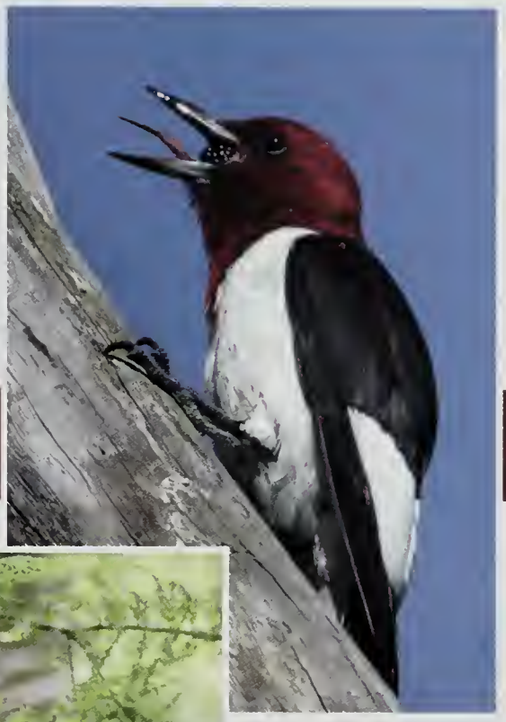
Eastern Towhee adult at nest with young. Coles County. 3 July 2013.
Photo by Ron Bradley.

Pied-billed Grebe chick. Redwing Slough, Lake County. Summer 2013.
Photo by Brad Semel.

Belted Kingfisher at nest. DuPage River, Will County. 29 March 2013.
Photo by Brian Tang.

Male Summer Tanager.
Coles County.
12 June 2013.
Photo by Ron Bradley.

Red-headed Woodpecker with berry in mouth.
Lockport Prairie Nature Preserve.
Will County.
24 June 2013.
Photo by Brian Tang.



Yellow-crowned Night-Heron.
Heron Pond Nature Preserve,
Johnson County. 8 July 2013.
Photo by Ron Bradley.

Green Heron fledgling.
Heritage Park,
Champaign County.
6 August 2013.
Photo by Joel Tucker.

Black Tern chick.
Redwing Slough,
Lake County.
Summer 2013.
Photo by Brad Semel.

nest), 27 Jul (WSS); BergmanSl FP (Cook Co) (ad w/2 chicks), 8 Jun & (1 nestling), 27 Jul (RLS & WSS resp); LCal (PowderhornL FP) (pr w/incubating ad on nest, 15 May & 5 Jun), but nest abandoned by 30 Jun (WJM); GLPSNA, 12 Jul (SDB). Now nesting at this location (fide SDB); Banner Marsh SFWA (Fulton Co) (ad on nest w/ lg chick), 20 Jul (DJM); Chau (pr @ nest w/1 nestling), 21 Jun (RGB, SNB); CarlL-C (pr w/3 yg @ nest tower), 6-7 Jul (DMK). **Others**: GlacialPk (2), 16 Jun (SD); Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 9 Jun (MF); StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); Chau (2), 1 Jun (KAM); LSpfld, 1-2 Jun & 13 Jul (HDB); MermetL, 30 Jun (KAM, COS); OhioR (Pope Co), 5 Jun (VMK).

Two adult Bald Eagles at Middle Fork Forest Preserve, Champaign County. 3 April 2013. Photo by Joel Tucker.

Two immature Bald Eagles near nest site at Middle Fork Forest Preserve, Champaign County. 7 June 2013. Photo by Joel Tucker.

Mississippi Kite

Breeding: Rckfd (Bloom School), up to 3 ad (2♂,♀) w/pr carrying nest material & cop, 12 May (JL), but apparently unsuccessful (DTW et al.). **MC**: 8, East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co), 22 Jun (KAM et al.); 7, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 8 Jun (RSR); 5 (ad), Rckfd (Bloom School), 13 Jul (AFS, RE); 5, TwoRivers, 12 Jul (DMK). **Others**: Fall Crk Twp (Adams Co) (3; likely breeding), 4 Jul (PR, AR) & SchafferI (Fall Crk Twp, Adams Co) (ad & juv), 21 Jul (EWW); Spfld (Lincoln Memorial Gardens) (1st summer/ subad?), 28 Jun (HDB); Glen Carbon (Madison Co) (ad), 20 Jul (CAT); *Madison*, 15 Jun (FRH); Mt. Erie Twp (Wayne Co) (subad), 13 Jun (CLH); MississippiR Bottoms (Monroe Co) (3), 10 Jul (DMK); Pomona (3), 22 Jun (KAM et al.).

Bald Eagle

Breeding: Nieman's Pond (Freeport, Stephenson Co) (pr, one on nest), 13 Apr (DTW); Durand (Winnebago Co) (ad on nest), 23 Mar-10 May (DTW); Rckfd (airport area) (ad on nest), 31 Mar-11 May (DTW, BCW); Byron Twp along RockR (Ogle Co) (ad on nest), 21 Mar (DTW); w. of Oregon (Ogle Co) (ad on nest), 21 Mar-6 May (DTW); Kirkland (DeKalb Co) (ad @ nest), Feb/Mar+ (EWW); Mooseheart (Kane Co) (2 juv in nest & 2 juv at & near nest), 9 & 23 Jun resp (SMy:ph); Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (pr w/juv fledgling@ nest), Mar-Jun (DTW); LCal (pr w/ad on nest, 15 Mar – 4 May), but nest apparently failed (WJM).; Letcher Basin LWR (Woodford Co) (Pr near nest & juv fledged from nest prematurely due to lightning strike near nest), 31 May (MJA); Papineau Twp (IroquoisR, Iroquois Co) (pr @ nest from at least 27 Jan-14 Jul fledged 2 yg late May) (GRS:ph); Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (pr w/2 juv in nest), 11 Jun (MM); Middle ForkR FP (Champaign Co) (pr w/nestling @ nest), 7 May & 7 Jun (JOS, BJC & JT:ph resp); Vance Twp (Salt Fork of VermilionR, Vermilion Co) (ad on nest), 27 Mar (JOS); Sang (2 juv), 1 Jun & (3 juv), 22 Jun, fledged from two nests (HDB:ph); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (1 yg @ nest), 9 Jun (DMK). **MC**: 6 (ad & 5 imm), HennepinL, 27 Jul (DFS); 5 (3 ad & 2 imm), Levee Rd (Monroe Co), several dates between 13 Jun – 10 Jul (DMK, MSS); 4, BigL (Brown Co), 4 Jul (CD). **Others**: NygrenWet (3 imm), 7 Jun (JL); Woosung Twp (Ogle Co) (2; 3rd yr. & 1st yr.), 14 Jun (SDB); BraidwoodL (ad), 17 Jun (JBH); Funks Grove Twp (Kickapoo Crk, McLean Co) (ad), 16 Jun (BW); Emiquon (3 ad), 2 Jun (KAM); BaldwinL (St. Clair Co) (imm), 4 Jul (DMK, MSS); TwoRivers (2), 12 Jul (DMK). One to three birds seen at numerous sites throughout the state in 34 other counties.

Northern Harrier

MC: 3♀, PrRdg-J, 3 Jun – 31 Jul (CLH). **Others**: Fermi (pr), 30 Jul (GP); Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co) (♀), 12 Jul (DFS); Midewin (2 & 1), w/1 there several dates 15 Jun-6 Jul (JBr, JRH, VMr, JAS et al.); Meredosia (Morgan Co), 2 Jun (CAT, TAM); Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 Jun (DMK); Beaucoup_, 9 Jun (DMK); MermetL, 30 Jun (KAM, IOS).

Sharp-shinned Hawk

No reports.

Cooper's Hawk

Breeding: Loves Park (Winnebago Co) (pr in breeding display flight), 3 Apr (DTW); GreeneVal (ad near nest w/one nestling sitting up in nest), 1 Jul (MAM); McDowellGr (4 ad & 5 juv @ 3 nests), 16 Jun (PAM); Oak Park (Cook Co) (2 nests incl a nest that fledged 2 yg, 25 Jun & ad w/3 fledglings @ other nest, 29 Jun) (EDG); SaltCrk (ad w/2 juv), 13 Jul (DFS); Lincoln Pk (Chi) (ad on nest), 1 May (MFo); LCal (Eggers Grove FP) (incubating/brooding ad on nest), 26 Apr-8 May, w/ family group of 2+ begging juv, 27 Jul (WJM); LCal (PowderhornL FP) (agitated pr), 30 Jun (WJM); JP (juv nesting in nest) & (family group of 3), 29 Jun & 21 Jul (RLS & PRC resp); Normal (Constitution Trail, McLean Co) (1+ nestling in nest 45 ft up in honey locust), 5 Jun (BMn); U of I Quad (Urbana, Champaign Co) (pr building nest), 12 Mar (RK); Busey Wds (Urbana, Champaign Co) (pr nest building), 7 Apr (GSL et al.); Spfld (Washington Pk) (4 fledged juv), 27 Jul (HDB). **MC**: 3, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun (SDB). Numerous reports of 1-2 birds statewide from 39 other counties.

Red-shouldered Hawk

MC: 6, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 4, BeaverdamL, 5 Jun (VMK); 3, KCP, 3 Jun (JR). **Others**: *DeKalb*, 27 Jun (GP, KW); Springbrk, 29 Jul (STl); SaltCrk (2), 13 Jul (DFS); McGinnis, 14 Jul (LRt); Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 8 Jun (EG); Midewin, 8 Jun (CJ); HennepinL, 18 Jun (PAM); MomenceWet, 8 Jun (GAW, DKA); Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); Normal (McLean Co) (imm), 18 Jun (GHr); FGP & KSRA (Vermilion Co), 5 Jun & 30 Jul resp (JR); Horse Crk (Cotton Hill Twp, Sangamon Co), 15 Jun (HDB); Spfld (Riverside Pk) (2 ad), 1 Jul (HDB); CarlL-C (2), 7 Jun (DMK).

Broad-winged Hawk

RockCut (2 & 1), 11&13 Jun (JL & DTW resp); Rckfd (Bloom School) (2), 2-29 Jul (JL); MissPalis, 14 Jun & 7 Jul (VMr & ASA resp); Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 31 May – 5 Jul (SDB); SwallowCliff, 9 Jun (DFS); SaganashkeeSl (Cook Co), 16 Jun (DFS); Hickory Crk FP (Will Co), 30 Jun (ASA); MackinawR SFWA (Tazewell Co), 6 Jul (TH); SiloamSpr (2), 11 & 15 Jun (JLe); Spfld (Washington Pk) (ad possibly nesting), 30 Jul (HDB); Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), 21 Jun (JH); PereMarquette, 6 Jul (LS); Dudleyville_, 12 Jun (DMK); FerneClyffe, 13 Jun (JLe).

Swainson's Hawk

Burlington (Kane Co) (1-2), 7 Jun-29 Jul (PAM, DTW & AFS, APS et al.). At usual nesting location of previous few years.

Red-tailed Hawk

Breeding: Pecatonica (Winnebago Co) (ad w/2 chicks @ nest), 4 May (DTW); IBSP (ad on nest), 25 Mar (EWW); Aurora Twp (Kane Co) (pr at yard nest for 2nd year in a row, with 2 downy-feathered yg), 23 May (KF:ph); Dundee (Kane Co) (nest atop metal & concrete structure used in 2012; ad w/one downy white small yg), 14 May (CMo); LCal (7 active nests, all w/incubating/brooding ads on nest, various locations), 15 Mar – 8 May (WJM); *n. Montgomery* (fledgling following ads), 4 May (RLJ); Webber Twp (Jefferson Co) (ad incubating on nest), 30 Mar (SDB); Hoyleton Twp (Washington Co) (ad incubating on nest), 28 Mar (SDB); Dahlgren Twp (Hamilton Co) (ad incubating on nest only 20 ft up in small tree along IL Rt. 142), 4 Apr (SDB). **MC**: 7, *Will*, 14 Jul (JAS); 6, *Kane*, 13 Jul (JAS); 6, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 6, Sang, 29 Jul (HDB); 6, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 5 Jul (DMK); 5, Pratt'sWW, 9 Jul (KW); 5, Fermi, 11 & 31 Jul (DS & PAM resp); 5, MArb, 12 Jul (JSp et al.); 5, Chau, 24 Jul (BG). **Other**: Beamington (Sangamon Co) (leaucistic bird), 29 Jul (HDB). From 1-4 birds located in 63 other counties statewide.

BLACK RAIL

Margaret Guzy Pothole Wetlands LWR (Shelby Co) (2; using kee-kee-doo & "growling" calls), 15 Jul (CLH); Farina Wetland (Fayette Co) (calling kee-kee-doo constantly mid-day), 19 Jun (SDB, KAM, TAM, DMK).

King Rail

GLPSNA, 18 Jun & 6 Jul (SDB); Emiquon, 8 Jun (CD); BeardstownM (Cass Co), 20 Jul (DJM); Margaret Guzy Pothole Wetlands LWR (Shelby Co) (2 & 1), 14 Jul & 20 Jun (TAM).

Virginia Rail

MC: 5, Pratt'sWW, 14 Jun (GP); 4, COLSP, 2 Jun (BJS, JSg); 4, SauerKame, 20 Jun (GP); 3, Springbrk, 7 Jun (JAS). **Others**: COLSP (2), 14 Jul (BJS, EL); Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co), 18 Jun (BJS); Aurora (MiddleburyM, Will Co), 7 Jun (ASA); HennepinL, 18 Jun (PAM). **Note**: "Extremely scarce at LCal, w/only one calling bird, 4 Jun (WJM)." Possibly due to last summer's severe drought? (SDB). Only a few other singles reported in the Chicagoland area.

Sora

Breeding: Air Station Pra (Glenview, Cook Co) (ad & 4 juv), 31 Jul (EE). **MC**: 6, Pratt'sWW, 1 Jun (PAM); 4, Wilkinson-RenwickM (DeKalb, DeKalb Co), 16 Jun (LHe); 4, Springbrk, 7 Jun (JAS); 3, RollinsSav, 11 Jun (BJS). **Others**: Afton FP (DeKalb Co), 28 Jul (RA); PaulDouglas (2), 9 Jun (MMC); HennepinL (2), 18 Jun (PAM); Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co), Jun/Jul (CKM); WhispWil, 3 Jun (JBH); Emiquon, 7 Jun (AW); BeardstownM (Cass Co), 2 Jun & 20 Jul (DTW & DJM resp); Meredosia (Morgan Co), 4 Jul (TW, CD). Migrant or breeding?; PrRdg-M, 16 & 17 Jul (CLH & SS); Alma (Marion Co), 17 Jul (RD). **Note**: "Extremely scarce at LCal, w/only one ad @ Burnham Pra, 4 Jun (WJM)." Possible scarcity of breeding birds due to last summer's severe drought? (SDB).

Common Gallinule. Kidd Lake Marsh State Natural Area, Monroe County. 13 June 2013. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Purple Gallinule

No reports from MermetL.

Common Gallinule

Breeding: MermetL (pr w/7 still downy yg), 14 Jul (JS:ph). **MC**: 8, HennepinL, 5 Jul (PAM); 6, L&D 13 (Whiteside Co), 26 Jun (DH); 5, Emiquon, 16 Jun – 20 Jul (EWW & BM resp); 4, L&D 13 (Whiteside Co), 26 Jun (DH); 3, KLMSNA, 28 Jun (CMe, JM). **Others**: MoraineHills, 4 Jul (DFS); Antioch Twp (Lake Co) (2), 14 Jul (BJS); Kettle Grove FP (Lake Co) (2), 1 Jun (BJS); Pingree Grove (Kane Co) (3), 22 Jun (SDB); Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 26 Jun (DH); Aurora (MiddleburyM, Will Co), 1-5 Jun (ASA); BeardstownM (Cass Co), 8 Jun & 20 Jul (NRG:ph & DJM resp); KLMSNA (2), 13 Jun (DMK:ph); *Johnson* (2), 2 Jun (MML); MermetL, 23-30 Jun (KA, NRG, KAM et al.). **Note**: No reports this season from LCal, one of this species former breeding strongholds.

American Coot

Breeding: HennepinL (5 broods), 27 Jul (DFS). **MC**: **500**, Emiquon, 2 Jun (KAM, IOS); 280, HennepinL, 14 Jun (DFS); 45, Meredosia (Morgan Co), 2 Jun (TWf et al.); 14, PaulDouglas, 2 Jun (SAC); 10, GRSWA, 23 Jun (DH). **Others**: GlacialPk (6), 3 Jun (RS); RollinsSav (5), 7 Jul (NT); Pingree GroveM (Kane Co) (4), 8 Jun (MM); GreenR (10), 23 Jun (DH); LCal (Harborside GC) (7), 2 Jun (NRG); LCal (Eggers Wds FP) (6), 3 Jun (DFS); Oswego (Kendall Co) (6), 3 Jun (ASA); BigL (Brown Co) (6), 4 Jul (CD); BeardstownM (Cass Co) (12), 2 Jun (DTW); HL (4), 1 Jul (DMK:ph); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (2), 28 Jun (DMK, MSS); KLMSNA (4), 2 Jun (C&PD). One to four birds seen at a few other, mostly Greater Chicagoland locations.

Sandhill Crane

Breeding: Winnebago (Winnebago Co) (pr @ nest), 5 May (BCW); Pecatonica (Winnebago Co) (pr, w/ad on nest), 17 May (DTW); GlacialPk (3 w/one on nest), 4 Jun (DTW); Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co) (pr w/2, week-old yg), 20 Jun (RBs); Vulture Ravine (St. Charles, Kane Co) (pr w/2 juv), 19-20 Jul (GP et al.); Elburn (Kane Co) (pr w/ very small, downy colt walking in rural, grass yard near house), 12 Jun (BMe:ph); Marshall SFWA (Atchison Unit, Marshall Co) (pr w/1 colt), 14 Jul (TH:ph). No

Common Gallinule with young. Mermet Lake, Massac County. 14 July 2013. Photo by John Schwegman.

previous nesting records in this area for this species.; Middle ForkR FP (Champaign Co) (pr w/one on nest), 20 Apr (BSs, SSs:ph), & pr w/juv, 25 Aug (BSs). **MC**: 18, Black CrownM (McHenry Co), 13 Jun (JLr); 6, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS). **Others**: LostMound (2), 8 Jun (JLe); NygrenWet (2), 7 Jun (DTW); SugarR FP (Winnebago Co) (2), 28 Jun (AL); MoraineHills (2), 6 Jun (MSz); VoloBog (2), 10 Jun (DO); Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co) (4), 8 Jun (BD); PelicanI (MississippiR, Carroll Co) (5), 1 Jul (SJD); GreenR, 23 Jun (DH); AmboyM (Lee Co) (pr), 26 Jun (DTW); GreenWing (6 & pr), 7 & 3 Jun resp (SH); NelsonL (2), 7 Jun (RM); Deer Grove (East) FP (Cook Co) (2), 5-7 Jun (JDo, JBn); HennepinL (2), 18 Jun (PAM); GLPSNA, 22 Jun (SDB); Emiquon, 10 Jun (JLe); Heron CP (pr thru season (JR et al.). This species is spreading into new breeding locations within the state. Many other breeding pairs also noted throughout the Greater Chicagoland area, including at Crystal Lake & Pleasant Valley FP in McHenry Co, CubaM, Grant Wds, MidSav, RollinsSav & Ethel's Wds FP in Lake Co, Fermi in Kane Co, Pratt'sWW in DuPage Co & John Duffy & SpringCrk in Cook Co.

Sandhill Crane chick. Redwing Slough, Lake County. Summer 2013. Photo by Brad Semel.

Black-necked Stilt

Breeding: Dixon Mounds Museum (Fulton Co) (pr @ nest), 8 Jun (KBR); SpringL (Tazewell Co) (♀ on nest), 16 May (EWW:ph); *w. Scott* (pr w/chick), 28 Jun (DRH); Mississippi Levee Rd (Union Co) (7; 3 pr & ♂ w/♀s sitting on nests), 5 Jul (LS). **MC**: 80, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 28 Jun & 9 Jul (DMK, MSS); 50, Emiquon, 14 Jul (MJW); 34, Chau, 22 Jul (KBR); 20, Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co), 2 Jun (DMK); 15 (3 family groups) & 9, Amax, 20 Jul & 2 Jun resp (CLH); 10, East Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co), 29 Jun (KAM, COS). **Others**: Rochelle (Ogle Co) (2), 22-27 Jul (DTW); Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (♀), 17 Jun (DH:ph); Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co), early May - 12 & 15 Jul (CKM & DFS & DTW resp, et al.); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (♂ & ♀), 15 Jun (ASA:ph); *Peoria* (2), 10 Jun (JLe); Gridley Twp (McLean Co), 17 Jun (BM); Havana (Mason Co) (pr), 15-16 Jun (DTW et al.); BigL (Cooperstown Twp, Brown Co) (4 & 2), 16 & 4 Jul (AW & TW); Beardstown Twp (Cass Co), 28 Jun (DRH); Meredosia (Morgan Co) (5), 2 Jun (fide DTW, IOS); Sang (Rochester Twp), 3 Jun (HDB); Spfld (Lincoln Land Community College), 8 Jun (HDB); LSpfld (ad ♀), 25 Jul (HDB:ph); Humboldt Twp (Coles Co) (2), 2-8 Jun (TDF, RB:ph); Farina wetland (Fayette Co) (2), 19 Jun (KAM); PrRdg-M (4), 4 Jun (CLH); *Lawrence* (2), 19 Jun (CLH); *St. Clair* (3), 7 Jun (KAM); *Richland/Wayne* (BaileyWet)(2), 5 Jul (CLH); Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (3), 13 Jun (CLH); UCCA (GrassyL) (4), 29 Jun (LH); Miller City (Alexander Co) (4), 22 Jun (KAM et al.). Nesting/summering birds becoming quite regular and commonly encountered virtually anywhere in the state with the possible exception of ne. Illinois.

Killdeer

Breeding: Spring Twp (Boone Co) (nest), 1 Jun (LH); GlacialPk (pr w/3 yg), 4 Jun (DTW); IBSP (So. Unit) (ad w/2 chicks), 1 Jun (DA); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (ad on nest), 15 Jun (ABA); Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (ad w/1 yg), 7 Jun (ML); Prairie Green Twp (Iroquois Co) (pr w/downy chick), 21 Jun (SDB); Effingham (Effingham Co) (♀ on nest, ♂ giving broken-wing act), 5 Jun (ASo); Shiloh (St. Clair Co) (ad w/2 yg), 25 Jul (KAM); Jefferson (ad incubating eggs), 4 Jun (DD). **MC**: 1200, Chau, 21 Jul (KAM); 300, BigL (Brown Co), 15 Jul (CD); 250, Emiquon, 21 Jun (KAM); 204, MomenceSod, 12 Jul (JBH); 174 & 109, Fermi, 20 Jul & 30 Jun (PAM); 150, Schlapp Sod Farm (Kendall Co), 13 Jul (ASA); 80, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 1 Jul (DMK); 58, WhispWil, 26 Jun (JBH); 49, Sang, 29 Jun (HDB); 41, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 32, *Kane*, 20 Jun (GP); 26, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 25, *McLean*, 17 Jun (BM); 25, St.Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM).

Spotted Sandpiper

Breeding: Fermi (2 families incl 4 ad & 4 juv), 1 Jul (PAM); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (ad w/ recently fledged yg, 15 Jun (ABA); PoplarCrk (pr w/yg juv), 4 Jun (ABA); Montrose (one chick), 17 Jun (MD); JP (RainbowB) (nest w/4 eggs), 1 Jun (DFS); JP (63rd St. B) (agitated pr w/1 juv), 6 Jul (RLS); LSpfld (ad w/3 yg), 16 Jun (HDB). **MC**: 30, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 24 & 12, Wood Dale Reservoir (DuPage Co), 13 Jul & 15 Jun (ABA); 23, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 30 Jul (DTW); 22, Fermi, 20 Jul (PAM); 18, IBSP & Wauk, 18 Jul (AFS); 17, GreeneVal, 7 Jul (ASA); 12, Montrose, 9 Jul (MD); 11, RainbowB (Chi), 1 Jun (DFS); 10, Wauk, 21 & 30 Jul (AS & BJS resp); 10, LCal (Burnham Pra), 21 Jul (AG); 10, Emiquon, 27 Jul (TAM); 10, BigL (Brown Co), 4 Jul (CD).

Upland Sandpiper

Breeding: Towanda (McLean Co) (3 ad & one tiny yg), 6 Jul (AFS, RE, APS). **MC**: 4, Waynesville_, 25 Jun (VMK); 4 (3 territories), Sullivan Twp (Livingston Co), 25 May – 7 Jul (SDB). **Others (likely breeding birds)**: LostMound, 28 Jun (DTW); MillCrk_, 11 Jun (DTW); Kaneville Twp (Kane Co), 6 Jun (DFS); Troy Grove_ (2), 16 Jun (JAS); Wilton Twp (Will Co) (3), 22 Jun (CMA:ph); Clayton Twp (Woodford Co) (2), 23 Jun (TH); Prairie Green Twp (Iroquois Co) (2♪♂), 21 Jun (SDB); Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (2), 1 Jun & 14 Jun (KAM, IOS & PB, LB resp); M&M sod farm (Money Crk Twp, McLean Co) (2), 8 Jun (NRG:ph). Known to breed @ this location.; Colfax (McLean Co) (pr here in late May), 7 Jul (MLPR); Emiquon, 16 Jun (EWW).

Wilson's Snipe

Breeding: IBSP (birds winnowing on 3 territories), Apr-15 May (EWW) & one @ So. Unit, 8 Jun (PWS); Pierce Twp (DeKalb Co) (flushed in marsh but weakly flew short distance; likely nesting), 30 May (SDB); Springbrook Pra FP (DuPage Co) (2-3 doing morning, winnowing, breeding display flights), 15 Jun (JLS). **Others**: Kishwaukee Headwaters CA (McHenry Co), 1 Jun (RS); Pratt'sWW, 11 Jun (GP, KW); Danada FP (DuPage Co), 4 Jul (DL); Air Station Pra (Glenview, Cook Co), 30 Jun (SC); Havana (Mason Co), 4 Jul (DH). Breeding or migrants?

American Woodcock

Breeding: IBSP (18 territories, 15-19 May, w/2 still displaying 26 Jun) (EWW); GreenWing (ad flushed off nest), 3 Jun (SH); KSRA

Black-necked Stilt. Coles County. 8 June 2013. Photo by Ron Bradley.

American Woodcock on nest.
Kickapoo State Recreation Area, Vermilion County.
12 April 2013.
Photo by Bob Schifo.

Red-necked Phalarope.
Alba Township, Henry County.
16 June 2013.
Photo by David Hultgren.

Least Tern. Santa Fe Bottoms, Clinton County.
9 June 2013.
Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

(ad on nest), 12 Apr (BSo:ph); Wood River Twp (Madison Co) (family group of 3), 24 May (SDB). **MC**: 5, Rubio Wds FP (Cook Co), 4 Jun (NRG); 3, RollinsSav, 25 Jun (BJS); 3, GLPSNA, 22 Jun (SDB). **Others**: Merritt Pra FP (DeKalb Co) (2), 4 Jul (SDB); LCal (Eggers Grove FP), 19&29 Jun (WJM); LCal (Heron Pond), 30 Jun (WJM).

Red-necked Phalarope

Alba Twp (Henry Co) (♂), 16 Jun (DRH:ph). Coming or going?

Laughing Gull

NBSO: Wauk **(3)**, 5-6 Jun (AFS, AS), but 1 there, 1-2 Jun (BJS et al.) - (1st Summer), 1 Jun (RE, AFS, AS), but 2 (1st summer & ad) there 5 Jun (AFS), then 2 1st summer, 6 Jun (AS); GLNTC, 6 Jun (DRD); Montrose (ad), 13 Jun (RDH); Emiquon, 21-28 Jun (BG, TAM et al.) & 15-21 Jul (KAM, MJW).

Franklin's Gull

NBSO: Channahon Widewaters (Will Co), 28 Jul (MAM, JAS); Waterford Twp (Fulton Co) (3), 4 Jul (DH); Emiquon (1, 5 & 6), 5 Jun, 13 Jul & 21 Jul (TH & EWW resp), w/4 there, 27 Jul (TH, DHr); Meredosia (Morgan Co) (2), 1 Jun (MPW, TW, IOS).

Ring-billed Gull

Breeding: PelicanI (MississippiR, Carroll Co) (800 ad, 28 nests, 149 fledglings), 1 Jul (SJD). **MC**: 600, CarlL-C, 21 Jul (DMK); 500, IBSP, 23 Jun (EWW); 435, WhispWil, 18 Jun (JBH); 416 & 212, Montrose, 29 Jul & 23 Jun (DKA & AAA resp); 400 & 40, Emiquon, 19 Jul & 22 Jun (NS & TAM resp); 275, LCal (HegewischM), 7 Jun (WJM); 250, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 250, Chau, 27 Jul (TAM); 220, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 205, *e. Will*, 2 Jun (JBH); 110, LSpfld, 29 Jul (HDB). **Others**: CalumetR (Blue Island, Cook Co) (11 juv, 1st of year), 4 Jul (AAA); Rock Falls (RockR, Whiteside Co) (23), 25 Jul (DH); StarvedRock (35), 28 Jul (TAM); HeideckeL (Grundy Co) (35), 27 Jul (AW); Midewin (40), 30 Jun (ASA); Henry (IllinoisR, Marshall Co) (45), 14 Jul (TH, DHr); PeoriaL (Tazewell Co) (22), 30 Jun (DC); BigL (Brown Co) (60), 15 Jul (CD); LSpfld (21), 29 Jun (HDB). "Few summering birds."; CONWR (30), 30 Jul (JGd). **EA**: 29 Jun, Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (CLH); 19 Jul, Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (DH).

Herring Gull

Breeding: Wauk (60 nests next to harbor building), 6 Jun (AS); PelicanI (MississippiR, Carroll Co) (5 ad, 1 yg), 1 Jul (SJD). **MC**: 131, Wauk, 6 Jun (AS); 30, NPM, 2 Jun (GAW); 26, Chi (Grant Pk), 21 Jul (NSk); 15, Chi (ChicagoR), 22 Jun (GAW). **Other**: Rckfd (4), 1 Jun (JL). **EA**: 3 Jul (2nd), LSpfld (HDB); 31 Jul (juv), Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (DH).

Lesser Black-backed Gull

NBSO: NPM & IBSP (1st summer), 18 & 23 Jun (BJS & EWW resp). Present since 24 May.

Least Tern

Breeding: Amax (nest w/3 eggs, but unfortunately field later re-planted over nest!), 21 Jun (CLH). **MC**: 18, Miller City (Alexander Co), 12 Jun (JLe); 15 & 3, Amax, 19 Jul & 2 Jun resp (CLH); 8, Grand Tower (Jackson Co), 8 Jun (PB, LBn); 8, *Wabash* (2 locations), 12 Jul (CLH); 5, UCCA (GrassyL), 29 Jun (LH). **Others**: LSpfld (ad), 26 Jun (HDB); Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (2 ad), 29 Jun (RES, CLH); HL (2), 15 Jun (DMK); *Jasper*, 17 Jul (RES); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co), 9 Jun (DMK:ph).

Caspian Tern

Breeding: No reports from Chicago (& Illinois's) lone breeding location. **MC**: 73, Channahon Widewaters (Will Co), 29 Jul (ASA); 30, Sang, 25 Jul (HDB); 21, Fermi, 27 Jul (ASA); 21 & 20, Montrose, 21 Jul & 9 Jun (GAW & JLe resp); 20, GreeneVal, 18 Jul (ASA); 17 & 6, BraidwoodL, 22 Jul & 17 Jun resp (JBH); 17, CarlL-C, 22 Jul (GHy); 15, COLSP, 14 Jul (BJS); 12, Wauk, 1 & 31 Jul (PWS); 12 & 3 ad, Emiquon, 27 Jul & 14 Jun (TAM & KBR resp); 11, CBG, 25 Jun (HS); 11, PeacockM (Will Co), 22 Jul (ASA); 10, Chi (ChicagoR), 22 Jun (GAW); 10, Chi (Grant Pk), 26 Jun (SM); 8, JP, 22 Jun (RLS). **Others**: L&D 13 (Whiteside Co), 28 Jun (DFS); HennepinL (2), 30 Jun (BM); LSpfld (6), 20 Jun (but a few all Jun) (HDB); CIPS Lk (Jasper Co), 2 Jul (CLH); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (2), 9 Jun (DMK); BaldwinL (St. Clair Co), 15 Jun (DMK); CONWR, 27 Jun (JGd).

Black Tern

LD: 13 Jun, Gridley Twp (McLean Co) (BM); 13 Jun (9; 8 alt & 1 basic plum), Jasper Twp (Wayne Co) (CLH); 10 Jun (ad), LSpfld (HDB); 5 Jun (3), WhalonL FP (Will Co) (JAS); 2 Jun (4), Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (DMK); 1 Jun (2), WhispWil (JBH). **Breeding**: RedwingSl SNA (Lake Co) (ads w/newly fledged yg), Jun (BS:ph). **MC**: 20&15, Emiquon, 2&13Jun (KAM, IOS & TH resp); 17, Meredosia (Morgan Co), 2 Jun (CAT, TWf, SZ); 14, E.LoonL (Lake Co), 13 Jun (BJS); 12, Chau, 1 Jun (KAM, IOS). **Others** (all late spring or early fall migrants): Rochelle (Ogle Co) (5), 26 Jul (TWf); McGinnis (3), 11 Jun (DFS); WorleyL (Pekin, Tazewell Co) (9), 26 Jul (DHr); Meredosia (Morgan Co) (10), 1 Jun (MPW, DTW, IOS); *Wayne* (BaileyWet), 29 Jun (CLH). Coming or going?; Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (4), 2 Jun (DMK). **EA**: 7 Jul, PeacockM (DuPage Co) (JAS); 20 Jul, LSpfld (HDB); 31 Jul, Rock Falls (Whiteside Co) (DH).

Common Tern

Breeding: GLNTC (two nesting attempts of 15 & 17 nests w/88 eggs, incl 14 nests w/37 eggs & 18 ad on 15 Jul; likely predation problem w/1st & possibly 2nd nesting attempt. Otherwise, little to no hatching w/eggs likely infertile due to PCB contamination) (DRD, BS). No fledged yg once again from Illinois' only nesting colony. **EA**: 29 Jun, HennepinL (TH). **Other**: Emiquon (ad), 14 Jun (KBR); LSpfld (2 basic plum), 15 Jun (HDB). Coming or going?

[ARCTIC TERN
Emiquon, 4 Jun (KBR, MJB).]

Forster's Tern

EA: 27 Jun (2), HennepinL (PAM et al.); 30 Jun (alt plum), WhispWil (JBH); 19 Jul (ad), LSpfld (HDB). **MC**: 17, PowertonL (Tazewell Co), 14 Jun (KBR); 12, Emiquon, 2 Jun (KAM, lOS); 12, Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co), 9 Jun (DMK); 10, CarlL-C, 20 Jul (DMK). **NBSO**: HennepinL (6), 17 Jun (DTW, KAM); BraidwoodL (1 & 2), 10 & 17 Jun resp (JBH); Emiquon (1 & 4), 14 & 16 Jun (PB, LB & EWW resp); Meredosia (6), 1 Jun (MPW, DTW, lOS); LSpfld (basic plum), 15,18,19 Jun (HDB); ClPS Lk (Jasper Co) (3), 10 Jun, (CLH).

[ROYAL TERN
Emiquon (basic plum), 6 Jul (KBR); Chau (basic plum), 22 Jul (KBR). Same bird?]

Rock Pigeon

MC: 600, ESTL, 9 Jul (DMK); 180, nw. Chi, 22 Jul (DKA); 100, *s. Will*, 14 Jul (JAS); 100, Kickapoo (Peoria Co), 30 Jun (AW); 60, Bluff Spring Fen NP (Cook Co), 15 Jun (MMg); 55, John Duffy FP (Cook Co), 8 Jun (RLS).

Eurasian Collared-Dove

Breeding: Franklin Park (Cook Co) (6 birds w/one of 5 ad feeding a juv), 27 Jul (SSl). **MC**: 16, BraidwoodL, 25 Jun (fide JBH); 7, Toulon (Stark Co), 9 Jul (JWW); 7, Pontiac_, 21 Jun (VMK); 7, Sang, 16 Jun (HDB); 6, *se. Whiteside*, 12 Jun (SDB); 6, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 5, Spring Twp (Boone Co), 22 Jul (LHe); 5, Cullom (Livingston Co), 24 May (SDB); 5, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 5, Havana (Mason Co), 6 Jul (AW). **Others**: LSummerset_, 10 Jun (DTW); nw. Rckfd (pr), summer (DTW); MillCrk_, 11 Jun (DTW); GlacialPk, 16 Jun (SD); Oregon (Ogle Co), 27 Jul (DTW); *Kendall* (4), 29 Jul (ASA, JLe); River Grove (Cook Co) (4), 29 Jun (SSl); Oak Park (Cook Co), 11 Jun (EDG); Chi (Douglas Pk) (2), 16 Jun (EDG, AG); Westchester (Cook Co), 13 Jun (DFS); Ashton & China Twp (Lee Co), 14 Jun & 11 Jul resp (SDB); Burns Twp (Henry Co) (2), 12 Jun (SDB); Singles in Neponset,Walnut, Normandy & Sheffield (Bureau Co), 8-14 Jun resp (SDB); Harding (LaSalle Co) (2), 7 Jul (AFS);Wauponsee Twp (Grundy Co) (3), 18 Jun (SDB); Laura (Peoria Co) (2), 7 Jun (SDB); Roanoke (Woodford Co) (2), 5 Jun (SDB); Cornell (Livingston Co) (3), 4 Jun (SDB); Milford (Iroquois Co) (3), 8 Jun (GAW et al.); Martinton (Iroquois Co), 21 Jun (SDB); Downs (McLean Co) (4), 2 Jun (SA); Mt. Pulaski (Logan Co) (3), 21 Jun (EW); Westville (Vermilion Co) (3), 20 Jun (SDB); Mt. Sterling (Brown Co) (2), 2 Jun (KB); *sw. Shelby* (pr), 21 Jul (EWW); Martinsville_ (3), 20 Jun (SDB); Columbia_ (3), 9 Jun (KAM); St. Morgan_ (4), 15 Jun (KAM); HL, 9 Jun (FRH); CarlL-C (4), 30 Jun (DMK, MSS); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (4), 28 Jun & 5 Jul (DMK, MSS); Waterloo (Monroe Co), 1 Jul (DMK); Dudleyville_ (2), 12 Jun (DMK); Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); Beaucoup_ (2), 9 Jun (DMK). One or two birds seen at many other locations in 30 other counties in Jun/Jul.

Mourning Dove nest on the ground, uncommon for this species. Songbird Slough Forest Preserve, DuPage County. 1 June 2013. Photo by Alan Anderson.

[WHITE-WINGED DOVE
Chi, 30 Jun (DKA).]

Mourning Dove

Breeding: Lake Villa (Lake Co) (recently fledged yg), 1 Jun (RBs); SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co) (ad flushed off nest on ground w/2 eggs), 1 Jun (ABA); Mode (Shelby Co) (ad nest building), 8 Apr (KAF). **MC**: 108, SauerKame, 27 Jul (ASA); 102, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 100, Shiloh (St. Clair Co), 30 Jul (KAM); 95, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 80, MomenceSod, 29 Jul (JBH); 70, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 67, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 66, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 66, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 63, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 62, BeaverdamL, 5 Jun (VMK); 59, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 56, Kankakee (Airport), 31 Jul (JBH); 51, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 48, Waynesville_, 25 Jun (VMK); 45, Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co), 12 Jul (DFS); 45, Havana Twp (Mason Co), 27 Jul (TAM); 43, Sutker Grove FP (Cook Co), 5 Jul (JRy); 40, Sang, 26 Jul (HDB); 40, CarlL-C, 7 Jun (DMK); 40, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13, 26, 28 Jun & 1 Jul (DMK, MSS).

Yellow-billed Cuckoo

Breeding: MissPalis (ad gathering sticks for nest material), 14 Jun (VMr). **MC**: 16, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 8, JubileeC, 8 Jun (EC); 6, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 5, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 5, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 4, Churchill Wds FP (DuPage Co), 24 Jun (CD); 4, Monroe, 5 Jun (KAM). One to three birds seen @ many other statewide locations.

Black-billed Cuckoo

Breeding: Rckfd (Apt) (pr, w/one carrying food), 18 & 20 Jun (BCW, DTW). **Other**: LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); IBSP (No. Unit) (2), 27 Jun (PWS); LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); Helm Wds FP (Kane Co) (2), 5 Jun (JLr); Pratt'sWW (2), 2 Jun (PAM); SpringCrk (2), 3 Jun (WP); PaulDouglas, 13 Jun (AG:ph, EG, EDG); North Shore Channel (Chi), 14 Jun (SGS); Jarvis (2), 16 Jun (LGM).

Two young Barn Owls in nest box. West Salem, Edwards County. 12 August 2013. Photo by Bob Shelby.

Barn Owl

Breeding: *Putnam* (family group of 4 in corn crib), 20 Jul (DFS). Present since at least Dec. 2012.; *Lawrence* (pr w/3 juv), 10 Jun (RES, CLH); *ne. Edwards* (pr @ nest w/2 well grown yg), 12 Aug (RES:ph).

Eastern Screech-Owl

Breeding: Normal (McLean Co) (pr [gray morph ♂ & red morph ♀] feeding a soon-to-fledge nestling moths in backyard nestbox), 18 Jun (GHr). **MC**: 4, COLSP, 2 Jun (BJS, JSg). Many singles & pairs reported from throughout Illinois.

Great Horned Owl

Breeding: Nw Rckfd (nest w/2 yg), 23 Mar-15 May (DTW). Chicks fledged 15 May; Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (ad incubating in broken-off tree hollow nest), 7 Mar & (ad w/2, downy, white owlets), 30 Mar & (lg but still downy, feathered yg in nest cavity), 24 Apr (CMo:ph & JBo:ph & CMo:ph resp, m.ob.:ph); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (pr w/2 fledglings), 8 Jun (PAM);

Barred Owl young. Busey Woods, Urbana, Champaign County. 15 May 2013. Photo by Derek Liebert.

McDowellGr (ad w/juv), 16 Jun (PAM); Bemis Wds So. FP (Cook Co) (pr w/2 yg), 9 Jun (TMM); LCal (Beaubien Wds FP) (incubating/brooding ad on nest), 15 Jan-4 Mar, w/one yg on 15&17 Mar, but nest empty 23 Mar (WJM); LCal (HegewischM) (incubating/brooding ad on nest 17 Mar-2 Apr), w ad &yg, 6 Apr & 2 yg 9&16 Apr, but only 1 yg, 24 Apr, w/1 lg juv @ nest 4 May (WJM); 1-74 @ Stony Crk bridge (Vermilion Co) (ad on nest), 24 Mar (BL); Hillery (Vermilion Co) (ad on nest & one still somewhat downy yg), 6 Feb, 22 Mar & 17 Apr resp (BL, BSo:ph). Numerous encounters of single birds statewide.

Barred Owl

Breeding: Rckfd (Aldeen Pk) (juv), 2 -9 Jul (SDB); Andover Twp (Henry Co) (pr & juv), 12&14 Jun (SDB); Morris Twp (Grundy Co) (begging juv fledgling), 6 Jul (SDB); Coldbrook Twp (Warren Co) (2 begging juv fledglings), 5 Jun (SDB); Busey Wds (Urbana, Champaign Co) (pr & 3 nearly flightless fledglings, one scrambling up tree trunk with feet), 19 May (GSL, DLt et al.). Locally rare breeder. **MC**: 5 (2 pr incl 3 ad & 2 juv), Orange Twp (Knox Co), 5 Jun (SDB); 4, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 3, FerneClyffe, 11 Jul (JWL, JSg). **Others**: Rckfd (Aldeen Pk) (pr), 10 Jun (SDB); LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co) (2), 10 Jul (DH); Morrison-Rockwood SP (Whiteside Co), 6 Jul (DH); Suez Twp (Livingston Co), 4 Jun (SDB); VermilionR Observatory (Vermilion Co) (2), 4 Jul (JLr); FGP (pr), 20 Jun (SDB); Weldon Springs SP (DeWitt Co) (2), 27 Jun (EW); Anderson Twp (Clark Co) (pr), 20 Jun (SDB); Columbia_ (2), 9 Jun (KAM).

Great Horned Owl adult with young. Fabyan Forest Preserve, Kane County. 30 March 2013. Photo by Jackie Bowman.

Great Horned Owl young from same nest as above. Fabyan Forest Preserve. Kane County. 24 April 2013. Photo by Chris Mussachio.

Common Nighthawk

MC: 12&10, LostMound, 8&28 Jun (JLe & DB et al. resp); 12, Salem (Marion Co), 18 Jun (SDB); 10, IBSP (So. Unit), 1 Jun (JIE et al.); 10, Morris (Grundy Co), 17 Jun & 6 Jul (SDB); 10, Spfld, 8 Jun (KM); 6, Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 9 Jun (MF); 6, Marshall (Clark Co), 19 Jun (SDB); 6, Marion (Williamson Co), 21 Jun (KAM). **Others**: Rckfd (4), 18 Jul (DTW); AlmondM FP (Lake Co) (3), 2 Jun (BJS); Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (2), 29 Jun (SCn); Rochelle (Ogle Co), 11 Jul (SDB); Judson Univ (Kane Co) (4), 12 Jun (EES); West Dundee (Kane Co) (4), 30 Jun (EES). Also said to be small groups in Batavia & Geneva in Kane Co (EES); St. Charles (FoxR, Kane Co) (2), 4 Jul (SAC); Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra, 28 Jun (DFS); Dixon (Lee Co) (3), 26 Jun (DH); Homewood (Cook Co) (2), 25 Jun - 31 Jul (PLr); Kewanee (Henry Co) (3), 14 Jun (SDB); Ottawa (LaSalle Co), 16 Jun (EWW); BraidwoodL (2), 22 Jul (JBH); Peoria (Peoria Co) (2), 3 Jul (JBH); Milford (Iroquois Co), 21 Jun (SDB); *Morgan* (4), 21 Jul (CAT); Spfld (singles on ten Jun dates) (HDB); Belleville (St. Clair Co); (4), 14 Jun (DMK); Millstadt (St. Clair Co) (4), 10 Jul (DMK); O' Fallon (St. Clair Co) (2), 7 Jun (KAM); Chester (Randolph Co) (2), 28 Jun (EWW); Vienna (Johnson Co) (4), 28 Jun (EWW); HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl (2), 28 Jun (LH); Metropolis (Massac Co) (2), 12 Jul (GHy).

Chuck-will's-widow

MC: 7, FerneClyffe, 28 Jun (KAM); 4, Stephen A. Forbes SRA (Marion Co), 4 Jun (CLH). **Others**: StarvedRock (♪♂), 14 Jun (fide MMC); SiloamSpr (Buckhorn Unit, Brown Co) (2♪♂), 11 May - 20 Jul (DJM, KAM, DTW et al.).

Eastern Whip-poor-will

MC: 10, SandRidge, 9-10 Jun (JLe); 9, IBSP, 23-26 Jun (EWW); 9, SiloamSpr, 14 Jun (JLe); 5, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 10 Jul (DH); 5, Anderson Twp (Clark Co), 20 Jun (SDB). **Others**: Nachusa (4), 17 Jun (MMS); Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co) (3), 10 Jul (DH); Dixon (Lee Co) (3), 26 Jun (DH); BraidwoodL (2), 22 Jul (JBH); *e. Kankakee*, 23 Jun (JBH).

Chimney Swift

MC: 200, Oregon (Ogle Co), 27 Jul (DTW); 150, RendL s. dam (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 100, Jarvis, 26 Jul (LGM); 48, Kankakee, 30 Jul (JBH); 45, Chi (Douglas Pk), 29 Jul (AG); 35, FabyanM (W. Chicago, DuPage Co), 2 Jun (PAM); 31, RainbowB (Chi), 1 Jun (DFS); 30, Spfld, 2 Jun (HDB); 30, ESTL, 23 Jun (DMK).

Ruby-throated Hummingbird

Breeding: MoraineHills (McHenryD) (ad building a nest), 4 Jul (DFS); McClaughry Springs FP (Cook Co) (nest 50 ft. up in oak), 2 Jun (WSS); Orland Park (Cook Co) (♀ on nest w/2 very large nestlings, in yard), 26 Jun (CH). **MC**: 226 (banded incl 20 returns [already banded]), *se. St. Clair*, 11 Jul (VMK); 155 (banded incl 14 returns), Hillsboro (Montgomery Co), 13 Jul (VMK); 86 (banded incl 21 returns), Valmeyer (Monroe Co), 26 Jul (VMK); 82 (banded incl 9 returns),

s. Madison, 27 Jul (VMK); 74 (banded incl 18 returns), *w. Brown*, 1 Jun (VMK); 72 (banded incl 13 returns), *ne. Greene*, 18 Jul (VMK); 66, (banded incl 6 returns), TOT, 3 Aug (VMK); 58, (banded incl 9 returns), *n. Coles*, 29 Jun (VMK); 54 (banded incl 10 returns), *w. Fulton*, 31 May (VMK); 53 (banded incl 3 returns), Mascoutah (St. Clair Co), 7 Jul (VMK); 51 (banded incl 6 returns), New Athens (St. Clair Co), 26 Jul (VMK). **Other (non-banding MC)**: 62, Pomona (home feeders), 28 Jul (RSR); 25, SiloamSpr (Adams Co), 1 Jun (JAS); 25, New Columbia (@ home feeders, Massac Co), 9 Jun (FKB); 15, Crossville (White Co), 28 Jul (TG); 10, Oskaloosa Twp (Clay Co), 20 Jun (DP); 6 (2♂, 4♀), Rock Island, 27 Jul (BC); 5, Ramsey Lk SP (Fayette Co), 24 Jun (BLd); 4, LRSNC, 2 Jul (KW); 4, PlumCrk, 14 Jun (SBB). **Note**: Spfld (3 singles in Jun, but several observers reporting few or none at feeders) (HDB).

Belted Kingfisher

Breeding: DuPageR (Will Co) (pr @ nest hole), 29 Mar (BT:ph). **MC**: 4, HennepinL, 4 & 14 Jul (BM & TH resp); 4, Kankakee, 27 Jul (CJ); 3, NygrenWet, 20 Jul (DTW); 3, AlmondM FP (Lake Co), 15 Jun (ND); 3, Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 20 Jun (REP); 3, LCal, 16 Jun (WJM); 3, Franklin Crk SNA (Lee Co), 10 Jul (DH); 3, CarlL-C, 21 Jul (DMK). Numerous encounters statewide of 1-2 birds.

Red-headed Woodpecker

Breeding: Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (5 pr & 3 nest holes), 15 Jun (MF); Hannaford Wds – Nickel's Farm FP (Kane Co) (pr carrying food to nestlings), 1 Jul (MM); Carpentersville (Kane Co) (ads feeding yg at & in nest cavity), 14 Jun (CMo:ph); Cap Sauer FP (Cook Co) (pr feeding nestlings), 11 Jun (TMM). **MC**: 16, Pembroke, 16 Jun (RDH); 8, Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 4 Jul (JRy); 8, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 7, HennepinL, 14 Jul (AW); 7, Sang, 12 Jul (HDB); 7, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 7, MMRNWR, 21 Jul (MSr); 6, Ramsey Lk SP (Fayette Co), 24 Jun (BLd); 6, *Edwards*, 2 Jun (RES); 5, Kankakee (2 different locations), 6 & 21 Jul (CJ & JBH resp); 5, *n. Iroquois*, 4 Jul (RDH); 5, *Wabash*, 12 Jul (JPl). **Others**: Casper Bluff LWR (Jo Daviess Co) (3), 3 Jun (DWy); White Rock Twp (Ogle Co) (3), 10 Jul (SDB); Morrison-Rockwood SP (Whiteside Co) (3), 6 Jul (DH); BergmanSl FP (Cook Co) (3), 21 Jul (MMC); StarvedRock (3), 10 Jun (JY); BraidwoodL (3), 22 Jul (JBH); Green Oaks FS (Knox Co) (4), 27 Jul (DJM); Orange Twp (Knox Co) (4), 7 Jun (SDB); Toulon (Stark Co) (4), 21 Jun (JWW); Merwin NP (McLean Co) (3), 9 Jun (AW); Chau (4), 6 Jul (AW); SiloamSpr (4), 1 Jun (JAS); Spfld (Riverside Pk) (4), 1 Jul (TL); Silver Crk Pr (St. Clair Co) (3), 12 Jun (GHy).

American Kestrels nested at the Dick Young Forest Preserve in Kane County producing five young in the summer of 2013. Photo above taken 30 May 2013. Photo at right, taken 18 June 2013. Photos by Taylor Joray.

Red-bellied Woodpecker

Breeding: MArb (ad feeding yg), 4 Jun (TK); McDowellGr (pr @ nest w/2 nestlings), 16 Jun (PAM). **MC**: 35, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 22, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 19, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 18, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 17, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 17, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 16, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 16, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB).

Yellow-bellied Sapsucker

Breeding: LostMound (ad w/fledglings), 30 Jun (BLe). **MC**: 9, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB, DTW et al.). **Others**: MissPalis (1-3), 8 Jun - 6 Jul (JLe, ASA et al.); Port Louisa NWR (Mercer Co) (2), 17 Jul (DH).

Downy Woodpecker

Breeding: Wood Dale Grove FP (DuPage Co) (incl family groups of 3,4, & 3 w/♀ feeding 1 juv), 28 Jun (ABA); McDowellGr (pr feeding 2+ nestlings & 5 fledglings), 10 & 16 Jun resp (PAM); Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co) (pr cop), 1 Jun & (2 pr ad feeding yg), 8 Jun & (ad w/3 fledglings), 29 Jun (TLy); CranberrySl FP (Cook Co) (♀ feeding yg), 28 Jun (VS); Orange Twp (Knox Co) (pr feeding yg @ nest cavity), 7 Jun (SDB). **MC**: 17, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 5 Jul (SDB); 16, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 13, Salt Crk Pk FP (DuPage Co), 3 Jul (ABA); 12, Wood Dale Grove FP (DuPage Co), 28 Jun (ABA); 12, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 11, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 9, RockCut, 5 Jul (KP); 9, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 9, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 9, *LaSalle*, 6 Jul (CAT, TLK); 9, Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co), 9 Jun (TLy); 8, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jul (KW); 8, SpringCrk, 9 Jul (CSr); 8, SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); 8, Spears Wds FP (Cook Co), 28 Jun (RKh); 8, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 8, KankakeeR SP (Will Co), 14 Jul (JAS); 8, JubileeC, 17 Jun (EC); 8, Sang, 24 Jun (HDB); 8, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 12 Jun (JLe).

Hairy Woodpecker

Breeding: MArb (ad w/2 juv), 1 Jul (PAM); McDowellGr (♀ entering nest cavity w/2+ nestlings), 10 Jun (PAM); LCal (Eggers Grove FP) (nestling begging & looking out of nest cavity), 19 Jun (WJM); JP (♂ entering nest cavity w/begging yg fledgling), 4 Jun (RLS). **MC**: 12, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 6, MArb, 1 Jul (PAM); 6, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun – 5 Jul (SDB); 5, Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co), 16 Jun (PWS); 5, Salt Crk Pk FP (DuPage Co), 3 Jul (ABA); 5, MomenceWet, 4 Jun (JBH); 5, Erin Twp (Stephenson Co), 8 Jul (SDB).

Northern Flicker

Breeding: Ferson Crk Fen NP (Kane Co) (ad feeding yg), 28 Jun (JLg); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (ad @ entrance to utility pole nest hole), 24 Apr (PRn:ph); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (pr cop), 1 Jun (LY); McDowellGr (ad @ nest cavity w/2+ nestlings), 16 Jun (PAM); MArb (ad entering nest cavity), 16 Jul (JZi); PoplarCrk (ad entered nest cavity w/ food for yg), 4 Jun (ABA); Midlothian

Meadows FP (Cook Co) (pr w/2 juv), 6 Jun (ABA). **MC**: 11, Fermi, 14 Jul (PAM); 11, HerrickL FP (DuPage Co), 15 Jul (JC); 10, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 10, McGiniis, 21 Jul (MMC); 9, Erin Twp (Stephenson Co), 8 Jul (SDB); 9, Chi (Columbus Pk), 16 Jul (EDG); 8, Fermi, 16 Jul (PAM); 8, Springbrk, 10 Jul (ASA); 8, Bluff Spring Fen NP (Cook Co), 20 Jul (MMg); 7, MArb, 14 Jun (JZi); 7, Wood Dale Grove FP (DuPage Co), 28 Jun (ABA); 7, PoplarCrk, 4 Jun (ABA); 7, PaulDouglas, 9 Jun (MMC); 7, Midlothian Meadows FP (Cook Co), 6 Jun (ABA); 7, Sang, 21 Jul (HDB).

Pileated Woodpecker

MC: 14, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 7, MomenceWet, 4 Jun (JBH); 7, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 6, HennepinL, 14 Jul (AW); 6, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 5, JubileeC, 29 Jun (EC); 5, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 2 & 13 Jun (JGd & JLe resp). **Others**: Sugar River FP (Winnebago Co), 23 Jun (DTW); RockCut (2), 13 Jun DTW); MArb, 3 Jun - 23 Jul (JZi, PAM et al.); Danada FP (DuPage Co), 1 Jun (MN); Fullersburg Wds FP (DuPage Co) (♀), 4 Jun (LP); SaltCrk (pr), 4 Jun (DFS); SwallowCliff, 9 Jun (DFS); Wolf Rd Wds FP (Palos) (pr), 16 Jun (KKM); Milford WTP (Iroquois Co), 8 Jun (GAW, DKA, PP); LOW, 3-15 Jun (LC, DTW et al.); Sang (4), 14 Jun & 31 Jul (HDB).

American Kestrel

Breeding: Dick Young FP (Kane Co) (♀ incubating 5 eggs in nestbox & later there, 10 day old downy chicks), 15 May & 18 Jun resp (TJy:ph); Chi (Hyde Park) (nested in tree in alley; fledgling begging from ad ♂), 25 Jun (RLS); WhispWil (family group of 5), 7 Jul (JBH); Kell_ (family group of 6), 19 Jun (SDB). **MC**: 8 (including family group of 6), Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 7, *Monroe*, 21 Jul (C&PD); 6, *s. Will*, 14 Jul (JAS); 6, CarlL-C, 13 Jul (DMK).

Merlin

Erie Twp (Whiteside Co), **27 Jul** (CAT, TLK); Meredosia (Morgan Co), **1 Jun** (fide DTW, IOS).

Peregrine Falcon

Breeding: Evanston (Cook Co) (yg fledged), 16 Jun (JG); Chi (Trump Tower) (2 juv begging for AMRO prey from ad), 22 Jun (CLW, GAW et al.); BaldwinL (Randolph Co) (family group of 3), 29 Jun (DMK); ESTL (2; family group), 1 Jul (DMK:ph). **MC**: 5, No. Branch ChicagoR (Cook Co), 22 Jun (GAW). **Others**: Rckfd, 19-21 Jun (JD, DTW); Highland Park (Lake Co), 29 Jun (DRD); RollinsSav, 14 Jul (BJS); Aurora (Leland Tower, Kane Co), 23 Jun (MM); Elmhurst Quarry (DuPage Co) (2, 1 ad), 15-22 Jul (GP); Hume Twp (Whiteside Co) (ad), 18 Jun (DH); Hamilton (Lee Co) (ad), 17 Jun (DH); Dresden L&D (Grundy Co), 27 Jul (AW); Chau, 27 Jul (KBR); Champaign (Campustown), 11 - 20 Jun (GSL); LSpfld (2 ad, neither banded), 12 Jun & (ad), 26 Jul (HDB); TwoRivers, 25 Jul (CMe, JM); Edwardsville (Madison Co), 24 Jul (WW); Sauget (St. Clair Co) (imm), 17 Jul (DMK); *Monroe* (Outlet Rd) (subad), 10 Jul (DMK). One or 2 birds seen at several locations in downtown Chicago area and lakefront throughout season.

Monk Parakeet

Breeding: Churchill Wds FP (DuPage Co) (nest building on electrical structure of ComEd station), 3 Jun (GP); "Very few active cell tower and utility pole/tower nests at LCal anymore (utility technicians remove nests virtually as soon as they are built)" (WJM). **MC**: 15, Elmhurst (ComEd substation, DuPage Co) (eating mulberries & cicadas), 23 Jul (GP); 12, Churchill Wds FP (DuPage Co), 3 Jun (GP); 7, JP, 25 Jun (RLS); 6, Arlington Heights (Cook Co), 21 Jun (TF). **Other**: Glen Ellyn (ComEd substation, DuPage Co) (2), 24 Jun (CD:ph).

Willow Flycatcher. Diona, Coles County. 23 June 2013. Photo by Ron Bradley.

Eastern Wood-Pewee

Breeding: McDowellGr (♀ on nest), 10 Jun (PAM). **MC**: 35, StarvedRock, 15 Jun (PV); 23, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 22, Deer Grove (West) (Cook Co), 11 Jun – 5 Jul (SDB); 18, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 17, SwallowCliff, 9 Jun (DFS); 16, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 14, LowdMil, 11 Jun (LHe); 14, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 14, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 14, Richard Young & Lyon FP (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA); 13, MacArthur Wds NP (Lake Co), 23 Jun (GH); 13, Byron FP (Coleman Tract, Ogle Co), 20 Jul (RCe); 13, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 12, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 11, Prairie Oaks FP (DeKalb Co), 4 Jun (LHe); 11, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 10, MArb, 19 Jun (LR); 10, KRSP, 27 Jun (JBH); 10, SiloamSpr, 1 Jun (JAS); 9, Ryerson, 30 Jun (GH); 9, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jun (SF); 9, Sang, 1 Jul (HDB).

Yellow-bellied Flycatcher

LD: 15 Jun, StarvedRock (PV); 9 Jun, Beaucoup_ (DMK); 5 Jun, NoP (GAW, COS).

Acadian Flycatcher

Breeding: Rckfd (ad carrying food), 6-28 Jun (BCW, NRG); JubileeC (ad on nest), 8 Jun (EC); Pomona (ad feeding 2 yg), 23 Jun (JGd). **MC**: **65**, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); **46**, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 15, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 2 Jun (JGd); 14, CRSNA (Johnson Co), 12 Jul (MML); 8 (5♪♂), Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 8, Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), 21 Jun (JH); 7, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 7, Richard Young FP (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA); 6, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 2 Jun (ASA, SAC); 6, JubileeC, 8 Jun (EC). **Others**: Rall Wds SNA (Jo Daviess Co), 28 Jun (DTW); RockCut, 9 Jun (PAM); MacArthur Wds NP (Lake Co), 23 Jun (GH); LowdMil (♪♂), 6 Jun (DFS); Dixon (Lowell Pk, Lee Co) (4♪♂), 27 Jul (DTW); Churchill Wds FP (DuPage Co) (2), 27 Jul (AW); Morrison-Rockwood SP (Whiteside Co) (2), 27-28 Jul (CAT, DH); MArb (pr), 1-17 Jul (PAM et al.); Andover Twp (Henry Co) (6; 5♪♂), 12&14 Jun (SDB); StarvedRock (3), 13 Jul (RDH, KKM); Green Oaks FS (Knox Co) (6), 27 Jul (DJM); Marshall Co. CA (Marshall Co) (♪♂), 17 Jun (AFS); Sang (5), 12 Jul (HDB).

Alder Flycatcher

LD: 9 Jun (♪♂), GreeneVal (MAM); 9 Jun, (NoP) (♪♂) (AFS, RE, JRS). **Other**: Half Day FP (Lake Co) (♪♂), 16 & 17 Jun (NM & BJS resp). Breeding?

Willow Flycatcher

Breeding: Nachusa (ad carrying food), 17 Jul (DTW); Fermi (9 incl 4 ad & 3 fledglings), 20 Jul (PAM). **MC**: 17, Fermi, 31 Jul (PAM); 12 (3 pr & 6♪♂), Pratt'sWW, 2 Jun (PAM); 12 (8♪♂, 4♀), Springbrk, 10 Jun (PAM); 11 (10♪♂), HerrickL FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jun (DFS); 11 (ad; including 6♪♂), LCal (Burnham Pra), 4 Jun (WJM); 9 (5♪♂), Pierce Twp (DeKalb Co), 17 Jun (SDB); 9 (ad; including 8♪♂), LCal (PowderhornL FP), 5 Jun (WJM); 9 (7♪♂), GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 6 Jul (SDB); 8 (6♪♂, 2♀), McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 8, MlrMdws, 9 Jun (JSA); 8 (♪♂), Millbrook Twp (Peoria Co), 8 Jun (SDB); 7, West Chicago Pra FP (DuPage Co), 20 Jun (KW); 7, MlrMdws, 9 Jun (JSA); 6, GlacialPk, 4 Jun (DTW); 6, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 14 Jun (GGi, DWs); 6♪♂, Aurora West FP (Kane Co), 4 Jun (JLr); 6 (4♪♂), Ferson Crk Fen NP (Kane Co), 3 Jun (SDB); 6, Burr Oak FP (Cook Co), 4 Jun (GC). **Other**: Independence Grove FP (Lake Co) (leucistic, mostly white ♪♂), 9 Jun (ST, TT).

Eastern Phoebe young. Swallow Cliff Forest Preserve, Cook County. 6 June 2013. Photo by Wes Serafin.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher with young. Johnson County. 12 July 2013. Photo by Matt McKim-Louder.

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher. Stringtown Road, Monroe County. 13 June 2013. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Least Flycatcher

COLSP (♪♂), 23 Jun (BJS); Pratt'sWW (pr), 16 Jun (PAM) & ♪♂ there 11-14 Jun (KW, GP); Blackwell FP (DuPage Co) (♪♂), 16 Jun - 1 Jul (KW, WPr et al.); Springbrk, 10 Jun (PAM); LCal (@ a traditional summering territory @ HegewischM), 7 Jun (WJM); LCal (WolfL) (♪♂), 11 Jun (WJM). Late migrant?

Eastern Phoebe

Breeding: Rckfd (pr w/4 fledged chicks), 10 Jun & (same pr w/2nd brood of 5 chicks fledged), 22 Jul (DTW); McDowellGr (pr feeding 3 nestlings), 3 Jun & (pr nestbuilding under liosk), 9 Jun (PAM & JLg); PoplarCrk (ad on nest under shelter), 4 Jun (ABA); SwallowCliff (nest w/3 yg), 2 Jun & (ad feeding the three recently fledged yg there), 6 Jun (WSS:ph); Mode (Shelby Co) (ad nest building), 8 Apr (KAF). **MC**: 8, SiloamSpr, 15 Jun (JLe); 7, KankakeePks, 27 Jun (JBH); 6, KRSP, 14 Jun (JBH); 6, *Monroe*, 5 Jun (KAM); 5, McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); 5, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 5, MArb, 1 Jul (PAM); 5, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 28 Jul (DH); 5, Sang, 16 Jun & 23 Jul (HDB); 5, *St. Clair*, 5 Jun (KAM).

Great Crested Flycatcher

MC: 15, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 15, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 14, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 31 May – 5 Jul (SDB); 12, LCal (Eggers Wds FP), 5 Jun (SZ); 11, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 10, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 5 Jun (DWs); 9, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 8 Jun (PB); 8, LostMound, 8 Jun (JLe); 8, Rckfd (Aldeen Pk), 9 Jul (SDB); 8, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 8, MomenceWet, 4 Jun (JBH); 8, CarlL-C, 2 Jun (DMK); 8, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 8, Pulaski_7 Jun (VMK); 8, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK). **Other**: NoP (pr likely nesting), 5 Jun-5Aug (JIN).

Western Kingbird

Breeding: Havana Twp (Mason Co) (4 ad, 1 pr nest building & 2), 6 Jun & 11 Jul (JWW & KBR resp), w/1 there 1 Jun (TH) & (pr @ nest w/3 yg), 24 Jul (BM & m.ob.); ESTL (3 ad & nest), 9 & 23 Jun, w/birds present 7 Jun-9 Jul (DMK). **Other**: Dickson Mounds Museum (Fulton Co), 11 Jul (KBR).

Eastern Kingbird

Breeding: Lafayette Twp (Ogle Co) (family group of 5), 11 Jul (SDB); Rochelle (Ogle Co) (pr @ nest), 27 Jul (DTW); Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co) (pr feeding 3 juv), 29 Jul (AFS); LCal (O'Brien L&D) (ad w/2 fledglings), 25 Jul (WJM); Heritage Pk (Champaign, Champaign Co) (pr feeding yg), 2 Aug (JT:ph). **MC**: 18, GLPSNA, 18 Jun-12 Jul (SDB); 17, Midewin area, 9 Jun (JAS); 17 & 10, Sang, 29 Jul & 3,19 Jun (HDB); 13, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 13, Fermi, 30 Jul (GP); 13, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 10, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 10, SongbirdSl F.P. (DuPage Co), 1 Jun (JCa); 10, Dam #1 Wds FP (Cook Co), 2 Jun (DWs); 10, EvergreenL (McLean Co), 19 Jul (BG); 10, CarlL-C, 13 Jul (DMK); 9, JP, 25-29 Jun (RLS).

Scissor-tailed Flycatcher

Breeding: Karnak (Johnson Co), 4 Jun (TJs, EO), w/pr there 13 Jun (MML),pr @ nest w/nestling, 7 Jul (RB:ph), & nestling fledged on 12 Jul (MML:ph) & fledgling still there, 14 Jul (JS:ph); Monroe (Levee Rd) (pr), 7 Jun (C&PD, KAM); *Monroe* (Stringtown Rd) (pr), 13 & 28 Jun (DMK:ph & KAM resp). **Other**: Havana Twp (Mason Co) (♂, then pr), 3 Jun - 26 Jul (KBR, JWW, TH, DTW, DJS m.ob.).

Loggerhead Shrike

Breeding: Midewin (pr w/2 fledglings), 5 Jul (DFS). **MC**: *Wayne* (4 territories), Jun/Jul (CLH); *Clay* (3 territories), Jun/Jul (CLH). **Others**: LostMound (2), 28 Jun (DB et al.); Savanna (Carroll Co), 23 Jun (DH); Gold Twp (Bureau Co) (pr), 2 Jun (MAM); *Jasper* (2 territories), Jun/Jul (CLH); Haines Twp (Marion Co) (pr), 19 Jun (SDB); Omega Twp (Marion Co), 13-14 Jun (JLe); *Marion* (2 territories), Jun/Jul (CLH); *Richland* (2 territories), Jun/Jul (CLH); *Edwards* (2&1), 25 Jun & 19 Jul (RES, CLH); *Wabash*, 21 Jun (RES); Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK).

White-eyed Vireo

MC: 25♪♂, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 13, PineHills, 8 Jun (PB); 8, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 12 Jun (JLe); 8, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 13 Jun (JLe); 7, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 6, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 5 (3 ad, 2 juv), StarvedRock, 13 Jul (ASA:ph). **Others**: GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co) (2&1), 2 Jun & 6 Jul resp (DWy); Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co), 16 Jun (PWS); IBSP (♪♂), 22-23 Jun (EWW); Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co), 16 Jun (MMS); LowdMil, 10 Jun (DTW); GreenWing, 1-8 Jun (SH); Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (3&2), 5 Jul & 24 Jun (SAC & MM resp); Pratt'sWW (♪♂), 14 Jun (PAM, GP); GreeneVal, 20 Jun - 2 Jul

Eastern Kingbrid adult feeding young. Heritage Park, Champaign County. 2 August 2013. Photo by Joel Tucker.

Fish Crow. Riverside Park, Springfield, Sangamon County. 7 July 2013. Photo by H.David Bohlen.

(ASA, LP); WaterfallGlen (3♪♂), 12 Jul (REF); Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co) (2), 27 Jun (PAM, GP); Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co) (3), 9 Jun (ASA); RenwickL NP (Will Co) (2), 30 Jun (DFS); John Duffy FP (Cook Co) (2), 13 Jun (RLS); CranberrySl FP (Cook Co), 28 Jun (VS); Cap Sauers FP (Cook Co), 23 Jun (TMM); SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); PlumCrk, 2-23 Jun (NRB, SBB, JIE et al.); Maz/Braid, 10 Jun (JBH); *Knox* (2), 27 Jul (DJM); JubileeC (3), 8&23 Jun (EC); Kickapoo SP (Vermilion Co) (4), 30 Jul (JR).

Bell's Vireo

MC: 11, Pembroke, 16 Jun (RDH); 10, BannerM (Peoria Co), 11 Jun (EC); 8♪♂, GLPSNA, 6 Jul (SDB); 7, Silver Crk Pr (St. Clair Co), 12 Jun (GHy); 5♪♂, GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co), 3 Jun (DWy). **Others**: Aurora West FP (Kane Co) (3), 2 & 22 Jun (SAC, ASA & JLr resp); Catalina Grove FP (Cook Co), 1 Jun (FRM:ph, DKA); Midewin (4), 4 Jun (CMA); BraidwoodL (4), 14 & 28 Jun (JBH); *e. Kankakee* (3), 23 & 29 Jun (JBH); Emiquon (3), 10 Jun (JLe:ph et al.); *s. Menard* (4), 3 Jun (BGe); KCP (2), 2 Jun (NS); Sang (3), 9 & 22 Jun (HDB); Charleston Bike Trail (Coles Co) (4), 22 Jun (GT); Dudleyville_ (2), 12 Jun (DMK); *Massac* (3♪♂), 26 May (SDB). There were 1-2 birds found at many locations throughout the state in 27 other counties.

White-eyed Vireo. Coles County. 19 June 2013. Photo by Ron Bradley.

Yellow-throated Vireo

MC: 8♪♂, JubileeC, 8 Jun (EC); 5♪♂, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 5&7 Jun (SDB); 5♪♂, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 4, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 4, MissPalis, 8 Jun (JLe); 4, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 4, Midewin, 1 Jun (JAS).

Blue-headed Vireo

IBSP (♂), **22 Jun** (EWW). Viewed for 30 minutes.; Springbrk, **7 Jul** (DFS).

Warbling Vireo

MC: 23, *Monroe*, 8 Jun (CMe, JM); 17, HL, 2 Jun (CMe, JM); 16 (15♪♂), LCal (WolfL), 9 Jun (WJM); 16, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); 13, Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co), 15 Jun (DFS); 12, Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co), 9 Jun (TLy); 11 (7♪♂), LCal (HegewischM), 7 Jun (WJM); 11, Sang, 8 Jun (HDB); 10, Casper Bluff LWR (Jo Daviess Co), 3 Jun (DWy); 10♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 10♪♂, LCal (Indian RidgeM), 16 Jun (WJM); 10, Cooper Pk (Tazewell Co), 30 Jun (EC); 10, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 Jun (DMK); 9 (8♪♂), LCal (PowderhornL FP), 5 Jun (WJM); 9♪♂, LCal (Burnham Pra), 4 Jun (WJM); 9, JP, 1 & 8 Jun (RLS).

Red-eyed Vireo

Breeding: GreencVal (pr w/one carrying nest material), 28 Jun (DK). **MC**: 31 (30♪♂), Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun & 5 Jul (SDB); 23, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 20, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 19 (16♪♂), Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 18, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 18 (17♪♂), SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 18, SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); 15, KRSP (Will Co), 23 Jun (ASA); 14, RockCut, 5 Jul (KP); 14, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 13 (9♪♂), McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 12, MissPalis, 8 Jun (JLe); 12 (9♪♂), Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 11, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); 10, MArb, 19 Jun (LR); 10, Herrick Lk FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jun (DFS); 10, Hickory Crk FP (Will Co), 30 Jun (ASA); 10, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 14 Jun (JBH); 10, SiloamSpr (Adams Co), 15 Jun (JLe); 9, MacArthur Wds FP (Lake Co), 16 Jun (GH); 9, Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co), 8 Jun (PAM); 9, Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co), 16 Jun (TLy); 9, LCal (Eggers Wds & WolfL), 3 Jun (DFS); 9, Thorn Crk NP (Will Co), 4 Jul (ASA); 9, Richard Young & Lyon FP (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA).

Blue Jay

Breeding: Salt Crk Pk (Elmhurst, DuPage Co) (family group of 2 ad w/2 juv), 3 Jul (ABA); Wood Dale Grove FP (DuPage Co) (family group of 4 & ad carrying food), 28 Jun (ABA); MArb (recently fledged yg), 24 Jun (JZi, MN); Oak Park (Cook Co) (pr feeding peanuts to 2 begging fledglings), 19 Jul (EDG); Wolf Rd Pra NP (Cook Co) (ad carrying food), 5 Jun (LP); Midewin (ad carrying food), 21 Jun (VMr); Geneseo (Henry Co) (pr feeding very young fledglings), 20 Jun (SH); O'Fallon (St. Clair Co) (pr w/2 yg), 20 Jun (KAM). **MC**: 34, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun & 5 Jul (SDB); 25, MArb, 12 Jul (JSp, JZi); 23, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 21, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 20, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 5 Jun (JC); 19, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 16, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 16, SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); 15, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 15, Herrick Lk FP (DuPage Co), 15 Jul (JC); 15, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 14, MacArthur Wds NP (Lake Co), 28 Jul (GH); 14, Salt Crk Pk (Elmhurst, DuPage Co), 3 Jul (ABA); 13, Athens_, 28 Jun (VMK); 12, Montrose, 17 Jun (MD); 12, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM); 11, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 11, Spears Wds FP (Cook Co), 20 Jul (RKh); 11, Sang, 29 Jul (HDB); 11, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 10, IBSP (So. Unit), 8 Jun (PWS); 10, Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co), 8 Jun (PAM); 10, McDowellGr FP, 16 Jun (PAM).

American Crow

Breeding: Zion (Lake Co) (nest building), 30 Mar (EWW); Charleston (Coles Co) (nest building), 9 Mar (EWW); Marine (Madison Co) (nest building), 9 Mar (EWW). **MC**: 70, JP, 25 Jun (RLS); 65, LostMound, 6 Jul (ASA); 59, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 45, Chi (Burnham Pk), 3 Jun (MH); 45, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 44, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 42, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 35, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 34, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 33, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 31, *s. Monroe*, 16 Jun (C&PD); 30, CarlL-C, 21 Jul (DMK); 29, Athens_, 28 Jun (VMK); 26, *e. Will*, 2 Jun (JBH); 25, MississippiR Levee Rd (Union Co), 5 Jul (LS); 24, Chi (Rosehill Cem), 7 Jul (RW); 23, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 20, Jarvis, 2 Jul (LGM); 20, Andover (Henry Co) (♪♂), 14 Jun (SDB); 20, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 20, Big MuddyR Levee Rd (Jackson Co), 21 Jul (MSr); 17, Lake Villa (Lake Co), 29 Jul (RBs); 17, GreenR, 23 Jun (DH); 17, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 14 Jun (JBH); 16, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 16, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 14, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 13, *ne. Kankakee*, 2 Jun (JBH).

Fish Crow

Breeding: HorseshoeL CA (Alexander Co) (ad carrying nest material), 28 Apr (EWW). **MC**: 21, Karnak (Johnson Co), 28 Jun (EWW); 10, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 1 Jul (DMK); 7, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 6, CONWR, 9 Jun (JGd); 5, TwoRivers, 25 Jul (CMe, JM); 5, *Monroe*, 7 Jun (KAM); 5, Ware (Levee Rd, Union Co), 29 Jun (KAM). **Inland Records** (away from MississippiR): Spfld (Riverside Pk) (4), 5 Jul but 1-2 on 3 other dates between 1-7 Jul (HDB:ph); CarlL-C, 2 Jun – 21 Jul (DMK).

Horned Lark

MC: 46, Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); 45, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 41, *Kendall*, 29 Jul (ASA); 40, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 40, *s. Monroe*, 16 Jun (C&PD); 31, MomenceSod, 17 Jul (JBH); 30, CarlL-C, 2 Jun (DMK); 26, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM).

Purple Martin

Breeding: Palos West (3 PUMA house colony, Cook Co) (28 eggs & 88 fledglings), 20 Jul (WSS); JP (95 nestlings & numerous unhatched eggs in nestbox colony), early Jul (PWM); HennepinL (14 birds w/ads carrying food to nestbox & 4 fledged yg), 15 Jul (DTW). **MC**: 180, LSpfld, 29 Jul (HDB); 77, Montrose, 29 Jul (DKA); 70, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 65, Jarvis, 31 Jul (LGM); 60, *Lawrence*, 21 Jul (JPl); 45, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 45, RendL, 14 Jul (JGd); 44 & 30, Toulon (Stark Co), 6 Jul & 2 Jun resp (JWW); 42, JP, 27 Jul (RLS); 40, Montrose, 17 Jun & 20 Jul (MD); 40, LCal (WolfL), 25 Jul (DFS); 40, Bloomington (McLean Co), 19 Jul (RMn); 40, *Piatt*, 21 Jul (TAM); 40, CarlL-C, 7 Jun – 14 Jul (DMK, MSS); 35, HL, 28 Jul (FRH); 30, Giant City SP (Jackson Co), 29 Jun (LH); 26, Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co), 13 Jul (KW); 24, Independence Grove FP (Lake Co), 27 Jun (MSz).

Cliff Swallow at nest. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 6 July 2013. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Tree Swallow

Breeding: Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co) (yg calling from nest box), 13 Jun (RBs); RollinsSav (ad entering & leaving nest cavity repeatedly), 9 Jun (CS); Midlothian Meadows FP (Cook Co) (ad entering 2 nest cavities), 6 Jun (ABA); GLPSNA (ad feeding yg), 10 Jun (LP, MN); LOW (Buffalo Trace Pra; ads nest building in nest boxes), 28 Apr (CKA); w. Vermilion (7 dead ads found in one nestbox, 2 in another; prs nesting in ~ ¼ of 61 EABL nestbox trail), 10 May (JOS). **MC**: 435, *Whiteside*, 27 Jul (CAT, TLK); 400, *w. Morgan*, 15 Jul (CD); 300, Perryton Twp (Mercer Co), 17 Jul (DH); 300, Chau, 1 Jul (JGd); 300, *s. Monroe*, 28 Jun (CMe, JM); 230, Burnidge FP (Kane Co), 14 Jul (DFS); 205, Rochelle (Ogle Co), 6 Jul (DFS); 200, Fermi, 2 Jul (RDr); 155 & 150, HennepinL, 27 Jul & 2 Jun (DFS & DTW resp); 150, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 100, Emiquon, 21 Jul (KAM); 73, MArb, 18 Jun (JZi); 60, James "Pate" Philip SP (DuPage Co), 6 Jul (LY); 59, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 58, Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co), 13 Jul (RBs); 55, LCal (O'Brien L&D), 12 Jul (TWf); 50, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 11 Jul (ASA); 46, *Wabash*, 12 Jul (JPl); 45, FabyanM (West Chicago, DuPage Co), 2 Jun (PAM); 40, RollinsSav, 13 Jun (MSz); 40, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 12 Jun (MSz); 40, Danada FP (DuPage Co), 6 Jul (DL); 40, PaulDouglas, 23 Jun (TF); 35, Double T SFWA (Fulton Co), 14 Jun (PB); 30, VoloBog, 17 Jun (MSz); 30, MidSav, 18 Jun (MSz); 30, NelsonL, 2 Jun (LK); 30, Pratt'sWW, 3 Jun (JLe).

Northern Rough-winged Swallow

MC: 600, TwoRivers, 12 Jul (DMK); 200, Chau, 21 Jul (KAM); 90, Chi (RainbowB), 19 Jul (DFS); 88, *n. Putnam*, 27 Jul (DFS); 85, Montrose, 27 Jul (GAW); 75, Aroma Park (Kankakee Co), 29 Jul (JBH); 52, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 41, LCal (O'Brien L&D), 12 Jul (TWf); 40, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 10 Jul (DMK); 32, KankakeePks, 30 Jul (JBH); 31, Peru Twp (LaSalle Co), 27 Jul (DFS); 30, Fermi, 9 Jul (GP); 30, Churchill Wds FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jul (AW); 30, BigL (Brown Co), 20 Jul (NS); 25, RollinsSav, 7 Jul (NT); 25, Wood Dale Res (DuPage Co), 13 Jul (ABA).

Bank Swallow

Breeding: Rckfd (Apt Quarry) (225 nestholes in sand piles, w/ads bringing food to many nests w/yg), 18 Jun (DTW); Jon Duerr FP (Kane Co) (pr cop), 3 Jul (SDB); Dallas City (Henderson Co) (600 nest holes & 64 ads banded), 14 Jun (VMK); LSpfld (Cinder Flats) (nesting colony of 30), season (HDB). **MC**: 800, Emiquon, 15 Jul (KAM); 500, Rckfd (Apt Quarry), 18 Jun (DTW); 400, Chau, 21 Jul (KAM); 339, TwoRivers, 25 Jul (CMe, JM); 200, HennepinL, 27 Jul (DFS); 200, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 5 Jul (DMK); 175 & 35, Sandy Creek (Marshall Co), 14 Jul & 14 Jun (TH, DHr & DFS resp); 150, BigL (Brown Co), 16 Jul (AW); 104, Sang, 7 Jul (HDB); 103, Grunwald Farms FP (Kane Co), 5 Jul (RM). **Others**: Wauk (70 & 23), 8 Jul & 12 Jun resp (AS); Jon Duerr FP (Kane Co) (12), 3 Jun – 3 Jul (SDB). Likely nesting in sand piles of nearby gravel pit; L&D 13 (Fulton, Whiteside Co) (22), 28 Jun (DFS); LCal (O'Brien L&D) (55), 13 Jul (WJM); StarvedRock (20), 10 Jun (JY); TwoRivers (40), 12 Jul (DMK); Salt Lick Point LWR (Monroe Co) (26), 8 Jun (CMe, JM).

Cliff Swallow

Breeding: GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co) (nesting colony under US 20 bridge), 3 Jun (DWy); Hebron Twp (McHenry Co) (5 ad gathering mud for nest), 28 Jun (SDB); WinthropH (Lake Co) (54 nests), 24 Jun (EWW); Lynnville Twp (Ogle Co) (2 pr nesting under small bridge over Kilbuck Crk), 25 Jun (SDB); Sherman Hospital (Elgin, Kane Co) (breeding colony w/nests noted under the building overhang), 16 Jun (WL); Chi (No. Branch ChicagoR) (10 incl ads in nests), 22 Jun (GAW); SaganashkeeSl (Cook Co) (20 nests), 30 Jun (WSS:ph); SoP (10 active nests), 30 Jun, but many usurped by HOSP by mid-Jul (JIN); JP (63rd St B) (ads entering 3 active nests), 22 Jun & (pr feeding 3 fledged juv), 30 Jul (RLS); 30 birds & 15 nests under small bridge over Hennepin Canal, (Il Rt. 40; Bureau Co), 14 Jun (SDB); Dallas City (Henderson Co) (600 nest holes & 64 ad banded), 14 Jun (VMK); BannerM (Peoria Co) (pr nest building), 11 Jun (EC); ThompsonL (Emiquon) (6 nests w/yg), 16 Jun (EWW); Brooklyn (Schuyler Co) (35 nests under bridge), Sang (109 incl nesting colonies @ Lindsay Bridge, Irwin Bridge & SangchrisL), 27 Jun (HDB); Wood River (Madison Co) (5+ active nests w/10+ birds), 24 May (SDB); US Hwy 50 overpasses (Lawrence Co) (ads building nests under overpasses), 1 May (JPl:ph); RendL (Franklin Co) (lg nesting colony on spillway), 3 Jun (DD); CONWR (30 nests under causeway bridge, some w/ad inside), 8 Jun (JGd). **MC**: 1200 & 95, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 24 Jun & 4 Jun (DMK & Kam resp); 400; ESTL (Eads Bridge nesting colony), 23 Jun (DMK); 400, CarlL-C, 6 Jul (DMK); 340, *s. Bureau*, 13 Jul (DFS); 150, Sang, 2 Jul (HDB); 88, Grayville (White Co), 4 Jul (LS); 85, *Fulton*, 21 Jul (KAM); 85, *Randolph*, 22 Jun (GHy); 70, *Tazewell*, 2 Jun (CAT); 68, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 63, Waynesville_, 25 Jun (VMK); 60, Emiquon, 11 Jun (MM); 60, Champaign, 28 Jul (ZS); 60, RendL (Franklin Co), 14 Jul (JGd); 60, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 56, MomenceSod, 2 Jun (JBH); 55, *Menard*, 8 Jun (NRG); 52, Athens_, 28 Jun (VMK); 50, HennepinL, 5 Jul (PAM); 50, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 50, *Lawrence*, 2 Jul (JPl); 50, CONWR, 8 Jun (JGd); 50, Pomona, 22 Jun (KAM); 44, Toulon (Stark Co), 31 Jul (JWW); 40, St. Charles (Kane Co), 10 Jun (AS).

Barn Swallow

Breeding: Spring Twp (Boone Co) (pr nest building), 2 Jun (LHe); IBSP (3 nests w/yg), 24 Jun (EWW); Prairie Wolf FP (Lake Co) (ads feeding fledglings), 16 Aug (JRS); RollinsSav (ad on nest under bridge), 7 Jul (CS); Half Day FP (Lake Co) (pr @ nest), 16 Jun (NM); MArb (21 active nests under bridge, some w/yg), 9 Jun

(JZi); SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co) (ad on 3 nests under shelter & 4 nests under shelter incl 2 empty, 2 w/4 nestlings each, 3 fledged juv), 1 Jun & 3 Jul resp (ABA); PoplarCrk (21 active nests under one picnic shelter), 4 Jun (ABA); Bemis Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr @ nest under roof of picnic shelter), 22 Jun (JA); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (4 ad w/2 juv feeding begging yg; & 6 other nests under shelter, 3 w/nestlings), 22 Jun (ABA); Midlothian Meadows FP (Cook Co) (13 nests under two picnic shelters, some with nestlings), 6 Jun (ABA); Cherry Hill Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr nesting under shelter), 16 Jun (LR); Chi (Irving Park Rd) (pr feeding 5 fledglings), 17 Jul (DKA); LCal (WolfL & O'Brien L&D) (fledgling & pr feeding 2 fledglings), 19 & 22 Jun resp (WJM); JP (juv fed by ad in mid-air), 16 Jul (RLS). **MC**: 340, HennepinL, 27 Jul (DFS); 200, TwoRivers, 12 Jul (DMK); 200, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 Jun & 5, 10 Jul (DMK); 102, Montrose, 27 Jul (GAW); 80, Fermi, 27 Jul (ASA); 80 (ad & juv), LCal, 27 Jul (WJM); 80, CarlL-C, 6 Jul (DMK); 73 & 65, Wauk, 8 Jul & 12 Jun resp (AS); 70, Champaign, 28 Jul (ZS); 65, Chi (Burnham Pk), 3 Jun (JRl); 62, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 55, LCal (Indian RidgeM), 27 Jul (WJM); 50, Chi (No. Branch ChicagoR), 22 Jun (GAW); 50, Schlapp Rd Sod Farm (Kendall Co), 26 Jul (ASA); 50, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 50, Big Muddy Levee Rd (Jackson Co), 21 Jul (MSr); 45, Chi (Lincoln Pk), 7 Jun (DKA); 45, *Wayne*, 20 Jul (CAT); 44, St. Johns Farm FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jul (GP); 44, MArb, 9 Jun (JZi); 44, HennepinL, 14 Jun (DFS); 40, Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co), 13 Jul (RBs); 40, Pratt'sWW, 3 Jun (JLe); 40, Montrose, 13-20 Jun (LGM, MD, AG); 40, *se. Kendall*, 20 Jul (DFS); 40, PeacockM (Will Co), 23 Jul (ASA); 40, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK).

Carolina Chickadee

MC: 19, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 17, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 15, HeronPond/LtlBlkSl, 15 Jun (JLe); 14, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 10, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 10, Carterville (Williamson Co), 9 Jun - 26 Jul (JGd); 10, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 12 Jun (JLe); 8, CONWR, 12 Jul (JGd); 8, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 6, CarlL-C, 7 Jul (DMK).

Black-capped Chickadee

Breeding: Rckfd (pr carrying nest material to cavity), 11 May (BCW); Big Rock (Kane Co) (ad nest building in nestbox in yard), 2 May (JHn). **MC**: 26, Deer Grove (West) (Cook Co), 5 Jul (SDB); 23, Fermi, 9 Jul (GP); 21, Forest Pk NC (Peoria Co), 21 Jun (EC); 19, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 18, McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); 18, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 17, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 26 Jun (PAM); 14, Grant Wds FP (Lake Co), 23 Jun (CS); 13, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 13, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); 12, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 12, Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co), 8 Jun (PAM); 12, Richard Young & Lyon FP (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA); 12, JubileeC, 29 Jun (EC); 11, HennepinL, 12 & 27 Jul (DFS); 10, LostMound, 8 Jun (JLe); 10, RockCut, 5 Jul (KP); 10, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 2 Jul (CW); 10, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 2 Jun (JC); 10, Fullersburg Wds FP (DuPage Co), 24 Jun (KW); 10, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 10, KRSP (Kankakee Co), 14 Jun (JBH); 10, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 10, ClintonL, 4 Jul (EW).

Tufted Titmouse

MC: 34, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 32, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 30, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 27, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 25, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 21, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 20, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 13 Jun (JLe); 18, *Monroe*, 7 Jun (KAM); 16, Sang, 1 Jul (HDB); 15, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 12 Jun (JLe); 15, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 14, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 13, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 12, SandRidge, 10 Jun (JLe). **Others**: LostMound, 28 Jun (fide DB); Erin Twp (Stephenson Co) (2), 25 Jun (SDB); RockCut (4), 23 Jun (JLr); Rckfd (Aldeen Pk) (6), 2 -9 Jul (SDB); MissPalis (3), 14 Jun (VMr); LowdMil (4), 6 Jun (DFS); Morrison-Rockwood SP (Whiteside Co) (2), 28 Jul (DH); Big Rock FP (Kane Co), 27 Jul (TB, KAi et al.); Des Plaines Riverway NP (DuPage Co), 11 Jun (GG); GreeneVal, 19 Jun (MAM); St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jun (SF); Baker Wds FP (Kendall Co) (4), 20 Jul (DFS); Saw-Wee-Kee Pk (2) & Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA); SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); Paddock Wds FP (Cook Co), 17 Jun (LR); NoP (2), 16 Jul (JlN); PlumCrk, 14-23 Jun (SBB, JlE et al.); Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co), 15 Jun (DFS); BraidwoodL & KankakeeR SP (Will Co), 14 Jun (JBH); MomenceWet (3), 8 Jun (DKA, PP); KankakeePks (1-2), 22 Jun - 20 Jul (JBH); BuseyWds, 28 Jul (ZS); Homer Lk FP (Champaign Co), 21 Jul (JTy).

Red-breasted Nuthatch

Breeding: Big River SF (Henderson Co) (ad w/begging fledgling), 17 Jul (DH). **Others**: MArb, 1-25 Jul (PAM, JZi, TK); Prospect Heights (Cook Co) (on peanut feeder), 12 Jun (CL); LaGrange Highlands (Cook Co) (coming to home sunflower seed feeder), 23 Jul (SR); HennepinL, 27 Jun (PAM, GP); StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV).

White-breasted Nuthatch

Breeding: Rckfd (ad carrying food to tree cavity), 12 May (DTW). **MC**: 33, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun – 5 Jul (SDB); 16, MArb, 1 Jul (PAM); 15, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 13, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 12, Salt Crk Pk FP (DuPage Co), 3 Jul (ABA); 12, JubileeC, 29 Jun (EC); 10, Detwiller Pk (Peoria, Peoria Co), 16 Jun (EC); 9, Rckfd (Aldeen Pk), 2 Jul (SDB); 9, Ryerson, 30 Jun (GH); 9, Byron FP (Ogle Co), 20 Jul (RCe); 9, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jun (SF); 9, SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); 9, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK).

Brown Creeper

MissPalis, 22 Jun (GN); LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); Zuma Twp (Rock Island Co), 28 Jun (DFS); MomenceWet, 8 Jun (GAW, DKA, PP); Heron Pond/ LtlBlkSl (♪♂), 30 Jun (KAM, COS).

House Wren

Breeding: Rckfd (yard) (5 pr w/4 pr having 2 broods), season (DTW); Nachusa (ad carrying food to nest), 17 Jul (DTW). **MC**: 42 (41♪♂), Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 38♪♂, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 34, Byron FP (Ogle Co), 20 Jul (RCe); 30, ClintonL, 4 Jul (EW); 28♪♂, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 23, Cordova & Zuma Twps (Rock Island Co), 28 Jun (DFS); 23, Sang, 3 Jul (HDB); 22, *LaSalle*, 6 Jul (CAT, TLK); 22, EvergreenL (McLean Co), 3 Jun (AW); 20, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 18♪♂, LCal (Eggers Grove FP), 19 Jun (WJM); 18, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 17, RockCut, 5 Jul (KP); 17, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 23 & 16, McDowellGr, 16 & 3 Jun resp (PAM); 16♪♂, LCal (HegewischM), 7 Jun (WJM); 15, HennepinL, 5 Jul (PAM); 15, Camp Illinek (Chatham, Sangamon Co), 29 Jun (TR).

Winter Wren

Ryerson (♪♂), **16 Jun** (BJS).

Sedge Wren

MC: 15&2, HennepinL, 27 Jul & 14 Jun resp (DFS);11♪♂, RollinsSav, 7 Jul (SLD); 9&4, Fermi, 9 Jul & 17 Jun (GP); 7 (6♪♂), Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 6, SauerKame, 27 Jul (ASA); 5, Springbrk, 30 Jun (PAM); 4, Rckfd Apt, 23 Jun (JLr et al.); 4&3, COLSP, 14 Jul & 2 Jun resp (BJS); 4♪♂, Nachusa, 3-17 Jul (JWW, DTW, BCW); 4♪♂, Merritt Prairie FP (DeKalb Co), 17 Jun (SDB); 4, Burnidge FP (Kane Co), 14 Jul (DFS); 4, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 10 Jun (STl); 4, Johnson's Mound FP (Kane Co), 16 Jun (STl); 4&3, Pratt'sWW, 25 Jul & 11 Jun resp (KW); 4♪♂, PrRdg-M, 18 Jun (CLH). **Others**: NygrenWet (3), 21 Jul (DTW); MoraineHills (3), 10 Jun (D&MC); NelsonL (2), 15 Jun (MM); Pingree Grove FP (Kane Co) (3), 12 Jun (STl); Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co) (3), 27 Jul (CAT); Herrick Lk FP (DuPage Co) (2), 10 Jun (DFS); Jamestown_ (2), 11 Jun (DMK); *St. Clair* (3), 5 Jun (KAM); Santa Fe Bottoms (Clinton Co) (2), 2 Jun (DMK).

Marsh Wren

Breeding: PrRdg-J (3♪♂ & 3 nests), 25 Jul (CLH). **MC**: 32♪♂, GLPSNA, 18 Jun - 12 Jul (SDB); 20♪♂, BrobergM (Lakewood FP, Lake Co), 28 Jun (SDB); 19, Prairie WolfSl FP (Lake Co), 19 Jun

(BD); 13, RollinsSav, 20 Jun (CS); 12, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 10, Pratt'sWW, 1 Jun (PAM); 10 & 4, PaulDouglas, 14 Jul & 8 Jun (SBB & DT resp);10, Palatine Rd M (Cook Co), 13 Jun (AG); 8, PaulDouglas, 9 Jun (MMC); 7♪♂, McGinnis, 8 Jun (RLS); 6♪♂, Garden Prairie Sl (Boone Co), 10 Jun (SDB); 6, MoraineHills, 4 Jul (DFS); 6♪♂, Pingree Grove (Kane Co), 22 Jun (SDB); 6♪♂, LCal (Burnham Pra), 4 Jun (WJM); 5, Johnson's Mound FP (Kane Co), 16 Jun (STl); 5, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 2 Jun (JC); 5, Springbrk, 7 Jun (JAS); 5, McGinnis, 28 Jul (AG); 5, Whalon Lk FP (Will Co), 30 Jul (JLe, ASA). **Others**: Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co) (5 territories), 24-26 Jun (EWW); COLSP (5&4), 14 Jul & 2 Jun resp (BJS); Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co) (4), 8 Jun & 4-5 Jul (RBs); Singing Hills FP (Lake Co) (3), 5 Jun (BJS); NippersinkM (Lake Co) (3), 5 Jun (BJS); Rochelle (Ogle Co), 22 Jul (DTW); Pingree Grove WTP M (Kane Co) (4), 27 Jun (JLr); SauerKame (4), 7-20 Jun (TB, PAM); Fermi (4), 1 Jun (PAM); McKeeM (DuPage Co) (4), 16 Jun (KW); LincolnM NA (Wheaton, DuPage Co) (4), 24 Jun (PAM); GreenR, 23 Jun (DH); Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co) (♪♂), 7-13 Jul (AFS, DFS, MM et al.); PeacockM (Will Co) (3), 30 Jun (DFS); NormantownWet (Will Co) (3), 25 Jun (GP); MiddleburyM (Will Co) (4), 11 Jun (ASA); Milford Twp (Iroquois Co) (♪♂), 23 Jun (JR); Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (2♪♂), 14 Jun (PB, LB); Schaffer Pond (Fall Crk Twp, Adams Co) (♪♂), 21 Jul (EWW); Emiquon (2♪♂), 16 Jun (EWW); Chau (2), 24 Jul (BG); BeardstownM (Cass Co) (3), 2 Jun (DTW).

Carolina Wren

Breeding: Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co) (pr w/3 fledglings), 8 Jun (TLy:ph); Vance Twp (Vermilion Co) (2 yg fledged from within a metal machine shed), 9 Jun (JOS). **MC**: 32, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 21, *Monroe*, 5 Jun (KAM); 18, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 18, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 16, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 15, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 14♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB). **Others**: GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co) (3), 3 Jun (DWy); Rckfd (Aldeen Pk) (♪♂), 9 Jul (SDB); CatherineL (Antioch, Lake Co), 17 Jul (PG); LostMound (2), 8 Jun (JLe); MissPalis (2), 30 Jun (BLe); LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); Norris Wds NP (Kane Co), 20 Jul (BA); MArb, 27 Jul (JZi, MN); Churchill Wds FP (DuPage Co), 24 Jun (CD); GreeneVal, 19 Jun (MAM); Fullersburg WDS FP (DuPage Co) (3), 24 Jun (KW); Meachem Grove FP (DuPage Co), 22 Jul (KW); York Wds FP (DuPage Co), 20 Jun (KW); WaterfallGlen (2), 9 Jun (VS); Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co) (♪♂), 5 Jul (SDB); LRSNC, 22 Jun (ASA); Bemis Wds FP (Cook Co) (2), 9 Jun - 20 Jul (JA); Montrose (♪♂), 14 Jul (RDH); Chicago Portage Wds FP (Cook Co), 9 Jun - 14 Jul (LRt); Homewood (Cook Co), 12 Jun - 29 Jul (PLr); Paddock Wds FP (Cook Co) (2), 12 Jun (LR); JP (♪♂), 5 Jul (RLS); Baker Wds FP (Kendall Co) (2), 20 Jul (DFS); Saw-Wee-Kee Pk (2) & Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA); SwallowCliff, 22 Jun (ASA); McClaughrey Springs Wds FP (Cook Co) (1-2), 2-8 Jun - 21 Jul (LR, MMC); Jarvis (2), 20 Jul (LGM); PlumCrk (2), 8 Jun (VMr); LCal (Eggers Wds), 5 Jun (SZ); Morrison-Rockwood SP (Whiteside Co), 6 Jul (DH); Monee Res (Will Co) (2), 4 Jul (ASA); Keepataw FP (Will Co) (2), 27 Jun (LW); McKinley Wds FP (Will Co) (2), 15 Jun (ASA); Van Horn Wds Pk (Plainfield, Will Co) (2), 1 Jul (ASA); *e. Will* (3), 2 Jun (JBH); Geneseo (Henry Co), 20 Jun - 4 Jul (SH); Toulon (Stark Co), 5 Jun - 31 Jul (JWW); BraidwoodL, 28 Jun (JBH); KRSP (Kankakee Co) (4), 30 Jun (JBH); Kankakee (4), 5 Jun - 30 Jul (JBH).

BEWICK'S WREN

Breeding: Siloam Springs SP (Adams Co) (family group of 4), 1-8 Jun (DTW, TAM, JLe:ph, m.ob. & NRG:ph resp) & one there 20 Jul (DJM).

Blue-gray Gnatcatcher

Breeding: Rckfd (Anna Page Pk) (8, w/pr building nest), 12 May (DTW, BCW); s. *Winnebago* (10 w/4 pr building nests & pr diving @ ♀ BHCO), 15 May (DTW); GreenWing (ad nest building), 7 Jun (SH); MArb (10 incl ad on nest), 5 Jun (JZi); McDowell Gr (21 ad & 8 yg incl 5 nests (3 w/♀ on) & 2 nests w/2 nestlings & 2 pr w/2 fledglings), 10 Jun (PAM); SaganashkeeSl (Cook Co) (ad feeding 2 nestlings), 30 Jun (WSS:ph); LOW (pr building nest), 8 May (PL); CarlL-C (family group of 5), 13 Jul (DMK). **MC**: 31, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 21, MArb, 1 Jul (PAM); 16, LCal (Eggers Grove FP), 19 Jun (WJM); 14, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 14, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); 13, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 26 Jun (KW); 12, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 21 Jun (DWs); 12, Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co), 9 Jun & 11 Jul (TLy); 12, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 12, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 11, Fermi, 31 Jul (PAM); 11, *Monroe*, 7 Jun (KAM); 10, RockCut, 13 Jun (DTW); 10, WaterfallGlen, 9 Jun (VS); 10, Springbrk, 11 Jun (VS); 10, SwallowCliff, 9 Jun (DFS).

Eastern Bluebird

Breeding: Rckfd (pr @ nest in nestbox w/3 chicks), 3-7 Jun & (pr w/2nd brood of 4 in same box), Jul (DTW); MArb (3 pr feeding juvs), 20 Jul (JZi); LCal (Eggers Grove FP) (♂ w/3 juv), 31 Jul (WJM, SBB); LOW (Buffalo Trace Pra) (pr @ nestbox w/nestlings & other ♀s laying eggs & incubating), 28 Apr (CKA). **MC**: 29, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 28, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 25, MArb, 18 Jun (JZi, DSr et al.); 25, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 24, Pembroke, 16 Jun (RDH); 19, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 15, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jul (JZi, JCa); 15, FGP, 14 Jun (GT); 15, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 14, VoloBog, 29 Jun (DO); 14, KCP, 3 Jun (JR); 13, PineHills, 8 Jun (PB); 12, Dam #1 Wds FP (Cook Co), 2 Jun (DWs); 11, Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co), 15 Jun (DFS); 11, Sang, 8&16 Jun (HDB); 11, *Johnson*, 11 Jun (KAM).

Veery

MC: 23, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 4, Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co), 16 Jun (MMS); 4 (3♪♂), St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 26 Jun (PAM); 4, Cap Sauers FP (Cook Co), 13 Jun (TMM); 3, SwallowCliff, 11 &18 Jun (DFS). **Others**: Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (♪♂), 18 Jun (BJS); KRSP (2), 14 Jun (JBH).

Swainson's Thrush

LD: **10 Jun**, Montrose (LGM).

Hermit Thrush

Chi (Logan Square) (♪♂), **16 Jun** (VMr). The latest spring departure given in Bohlen (1989) for this species was 4 Jun though the few other departure dates were in mid-May. Bohlen gives the average spring departure date for 16 years of such records for the Chicago area as 9 May. Departure dates since that publication are 12-20 May except for one 3 Jun record of a bird with an injured tail in Chicago and a few late May records, all from the Chicago area.

Wood Thrush

Breeding: Helm Wds FP (DuPage Co) (nest w/yg), 11 Jun (JLr). **MC**: 11, SiloamSpr, 14 Jun (JLe); 11, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 9, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 8, Red Gate Wds FP (Cook Co), 16 Jun (DFS); 8 (pr & 6♪♂), Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 8, PineHills, 8 Jun (PB); 7, *Whiteside*, 27 Jul (CAT, TLK); 6♪♂, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun & 5 Jul (SDB); 5, RockCut, 13 Jun (DTW); 5, GreenWing, 3 Jun (SH); 5, MArb, 1 Jul (PAM); 5, Danada FP (DuPage Co), 11 Jun (MB); 5, Maz/Braid, 10 Jun (JBH); 5, JubileeC, 17 Jun (EC). **Others**: GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co) (3), 18 Jun (DWy); MissPalis (3), 6 Jul (ASA); LowdMil (4), 6 Jul (DFS); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (3), 14 Jul (LHe); Morrison-Rockwood SP (Whiteside Co) (3), 27 Jul (CAT); Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co) (4), 2-27 Jul (CW, CAT); McDowellGr (3♪♂), 10-16 Jun (PAM); WaterfallGlen (3♪♂), 12 Jul (REF); Paddock Wds FP (Cook Co) (3), 17 Jun (LR); McGinnis (3), 22 Jun (GG); KRSP (Will Co) (3), 23 Jun (ASA); KRSP (Kankakee Co) (4), 30 Jun (JBH); Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co) (3), 29 Jun (BDn); SandRidge (4), 10 Jun (JLe); KCP (3), 19 Jun (JR); KSRA (3), 17 Jul (JR).

American Robin

Breeding: Pecatonica (Winnebago Co) (ad carrying fecal sac), 17

May (DTW); lBSP (nest building), 11 May (EWW); RollinsSav (ad @ nest feeding 2 nestlings), 9 Jun (ST); Half Day FP (Lake Co) (recently fledged yg), 16 Jun (NM); KankakeePks (ad carrying nest material), 24 Apr (JBH); Sugar Grove NC (Funks Grove, McLean Co) (nest w/4 AMRO eggs on manmade bird nesting tray in woods), 27 Apr (JHt); Catlin (Vermilion Co) (2 recently fledged yg), 17 May (BSo). **MC**: 190, Chi (Columbus Pk), 28 Jul (EDG); 176, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 170, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 150, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 141, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 134, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 130, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 124, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 106, *e. Will*, 2 Jun (JBH); 97, Pontiac_, 21 Jun (VMK); 94, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 90, *Monroe*, 16 Jun (CMe, JM); 83, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 81, MArb, 20 Jun (JZi, JSp); 81, Waynesville_, 25 Jun (VMK); 80, Oak Park (Cook Co), 4 Jul (EDG); 80, Chi (Humboldt Pk), 24 Jul (SBB); 73, Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); 71, LCal (WolfL CA), 9 Jun (WJM); 70, *Kendall*, 20 Jul (DFS); 69, Chi (Rosehill Cem), 9 Jun (MD); 66, Zuma & Cordova Twps (Rock Island Co), 28 Jun (DFS); 64, Deer Grove (West) FP, 11 Jun (SDB); 60, McGinnis, 3 Jul (MD); 56, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 56, LCal, 3 Jun (DFS); 54, Miller Twp (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); 54, Kankakee, 19 Jun (JBH).

Gray Catbird

Breeding: Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (3 ad carrying food to yg), 8 Jun (PAM); MArb (recently fledged yg), 24 Jun (JZi, MN); Salt Crk Pk FP (DuPage Co) (ad carrying food for yg), 3 Jul (ABA); McDowellGr (nest w/3 nestlings & 2 fledlings), 16 Jun (PAM). **MC**: 25, GreeneVal, 2 Jul (LP, MN); 24, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 23, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 23 (20♪♂), LCal (WolfL), 9 Jun (WJM); 23 (17♪♂), LCal (Eggers Grove FP), 19 Jun (WJM); 22, Fermi, 23 Jun (PAM); 21, Pratt'sWW, 9 Jul (KW); 21, Cap Sauers FP (Cook Co), 23 Jun (TMM); 20 (15♪♂), Erin Twp (Stephenson Co), 25 Jun (SDB); 19, HennepinL, 5 Jul (PAM); 19, JubileeC, 17&19 Jun (EC); 17, Grant Wds FP (Lake Co), 27 Jun (CS); 17, Oriole Grove FP (Lake Co), 12 Jun (GH); 17, Danada FP (DuPage Co), 4 Jul (DL); 16, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 16, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 2 Jul (CW); 16, Morris Twp (Grundy Co), 6 Jul (SDB); 15, VoloBog, 17 Jun (MSz); 15, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co), 3 Jul (ASA); 15, MArb, 12 Jul (JZi, JSp); 15, KankakeePks, 22 Jun (JBH).

Brown Thrasher

Breeding: Dorr Twp (McHenry Co) (pr @ nest w/one nestling), 25 Jun (EP); Nachusa (ad carrying food to yg), 17 Jul (DTW); Pratt'sWW (pr w/fledgling), 1 Jun (PAM); Fermi (pr w/juv), 23 Jun (PAM); McDowellGr (pr w/3 fledglings), 10 Jun (PAM). **MC**: 22, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 10, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 9, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 9, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 8, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 8, John Duffy FP (Cook Co), 13 Jun (RLS); 8, BraidwoodL, 17 Jun (JBH); 8, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 8, Athens_, 28 Jun (VMK); 8, Sang, 9 Jun (HDB); 7, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 14 Jun (GGi, DWs); 7, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 7, McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); 7 (6♪♂), Burr Oak FP (Cook Co), 4 Jun (GC); 7, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS).

Northern Mockingbird

MC: 30, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 21, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 19, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 14, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 13, Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); 13, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 11, *Edwards*, 2 Jun (RES); 11, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 10, Midewin, 23 Jun (ASA); 8, Pembroke, 16 Jun (RDH); 7, Midewin, 5 Jul (DFS); 7, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 6, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 Jun (DMK); 5, Sang, 10 Jun (HDB); 5, Lawrence, 2 Jul (JPl); 4, Manito (Mason Co), 4 Jul (DH). **Others**: Seward Bluffs FP (Winnebago Co), 31 May (fide BTW); Lake Villa (Lake Co), 25 Jul (RBs); lBSP (No. Unit), 26 Jul (EWW); lBSP (So. Unit), 29 Jun -1 Jul (AFS, RE, DRD); Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 15-20 Jun (MF, REP); WaterfallGlen, 21 Jun - 12 Jul (REF); Fermi, 2 Jun (JLr, STl); Montrose, 1-2 Jun (EG, NRG, RDH); McCormick Place (Chi), 13 Jun (PWM); LCal (Eggers Wds FP), 27 Jul (WJM); Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); Abington Twp (Mercer Co), 17 Jul (DH); HennepinL, 16 Jun (JAS); StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co) (2), 15 Jun (DFS); *Woodford*, 11 Jun (TH); Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); *e. Kankakee*, 4 & 15 Jun (JBH).

European Starling

Breeding: Kankakee (ad carrying food to yg), 3 Jun (JBH). **MC**: 6000, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 24 Jun (DMK); 500, U of I South Farms (Urbana, Champaign Co), 9 Jul (NS); 400, HennepinL, 20 Jul (NS); 400, ESTL, 23 Jun (DMK); 379, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 375, Kankakee Apt, 31 Jul (JBH); 300, Rckfd Apt, 18 Jun (DTW); 250, WhispWil, 29 Jul (JBH); 227, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 215, WhispWil, 19 Jul (JBH); 200, Fermi, 30 Jun (GP); 200, Montrose, 20 Jul (MD); 200, Havana Twp (Mason Co), 22 Jun (TAM); 197, Beaucoup_, 9 Jun (DMK); 196, *Douglas*, 19 Jul (CAT); 188, JP, 14 Jun (RLS); 181, Pontiac_, 21 Jun (VMK); 156, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 153, Momence (Kankakee Co), 21 Jun (MMC); 150, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 1 Jul (WPr); 150, PeacockM (Will Co), 29 Jul (ASA); 136, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 136, Chi (Humboldt Pk), 24 Jul (SBB); 116, Schlapp Rd Sod Farm (Kendall Co), 26 Jul (ASA); 105, MississippiR Levee Rd (Ware & north, Union Co), 5 Jul (LS); 98, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 90, LCal (Eggers Wds FP), 31 Jul (SBB, WJM); 88, Minonk (Woodford Co), 17 Jun (TH); 85, MArb, 9 Jun (JZi); 80, MomenceSod, 12 Jul (JBH); 80, Old Cape Rd (Alexander Co), 8 Jun (PB); 80, Chi (Columbus Pk), 27 Jun (EDG); 75, Giant City SP (Jackson Co), 29 Jun (LH).

American Pipit

LD: Emiquon, **1 Jun** (KAM, IOS). This is the sixth Jun/Jul summer/breeding season that this species has been observed in Illinois, all since 1996.

Cedar Waxwing

Breeding: Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (ads feeding yg), 25 Jun (MM); West DuPage Wds FP (DuPage Co) (ad carrying nest material), 19 Jun (LY); McDowellGr (2 prs w/nests, one w/2 nestlings), 16 Jun (PAM); WaterfallGlen (ad feeding 2 fledglings), 12 Jul (REF); Dam #1 Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr @ nest), 23 Jun (DWs); Montrose (ad on nest), 28 Jun & (ad on nest w/one nestling), 16 Jul (MD); Illini SP (LaSalle Co) (pr nest building a mostly complete nest in a Sycamore), 8 Jun (DFS). **MC**: 278, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM, IOS); 50, GreeneVal, 7 Jul (JAS); 49, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 48, Fermi, 9 Jul (GP); 40, RockCut, 5 Jul (KP); 37, *Putnam* (19 @ HennepinL), 14 Jun (DFS); 34, MoraineHills, 4 Jul (DFS); 31 & 21, MArb, 5 & 21 Jun resp (JZi et al.); 30, Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co), 11 Jul (TLy); 30, SiloamSpr, 2 Jun (KB); 26, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 25, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jul (JCa); 25, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 25, Homewood (Cook Co), 4 Jul (PLr); 24, Chippewa Wds FP (Cook Co), 21 Jun (CJ); 23, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 23, Millbrook Twp (Peoria Co), 8 Jun (SDB); 22, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 23 Jun (DFS); 22, JP, 25 Jun (RLS); 22, KankakeePks, 27 Jun & 9 Jul (JBH); 21, SaganashkeeSl (Cook Co), 2 Jun (DFS); 20, Oakhurst FP (Kane Co), 3 Jul (ASA); 20, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 11 Jul (ASA); 20, McGinnis, 28 Jul (SZ); 20, NoP, 30 Jun (JIN); 20, Chi (Rosehill Cem), 22 Jun (MD); 20, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS).

Ovenbird

MC: 32 & 26, LowdMil, 6 Jun & 6 Jul resp (DFS); 13, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM); 9♪♂, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 11 Jun & 5 Jul (SDB); 8, SiloamSpr, 1 Jun (JAS); 7, SwallowCliff, 9 Jun (DFS); 6, *n. Iroquois*, 4 Jul (RDH); 6, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB). **Others**: MacArthur Wds FP (Lake Co) (4), 16 Jun (TH); MissPalis (4), 6 Jul (ASA:ph); JP (♪♂), 25 Jun (RLS); JubileeC (4), 17 Jun (EC); ShelbyvilleL (Shelby Co (4), 13 Jun (TBs).

Worm-eating Warbler

MC: 6♪♂, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB). **Others**: MissPalis (♪♂), 22 Jun (GN); PereMarquette (3), 16 Jun (JPh); RendL (Franklin Co) (2), 21 Jul (JGd).

Louisiana Waterthrush young. McClaughry Springs, Cook County. 2 June 2013. Photo by Wes Serafin.

Louisiana Waterthrush

Breeding: McClaughry Springs FP (Cook Co) (pr feeding 3 LOWA yg green caterpillars near nest), 2 Jun (WSS:ph); Little Grand Canyon (SNF, Jackson Co) (ad w/fledgling), 9 Jun (PB). **MC**: 13, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 12, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB). **Others**: MissPalis (2), 8 Jun (JLe); Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co) (4; pr & 2♪♂ in 3 territories), 31 May – 11 June (SDB); McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); Cap Sauers FP (Cook Co), 2-13 Jun (TMM); Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 2 Jun (ASA, SAC); Marshall Co. CA (Marshall Co) (♪♂), 17 Jun (AFS); JubileeC (3; 2♂,♀), 8 Jun (EC); BuseyWds, 7 Jul (NS).

Northern Waterthrush

EA: 28 Jul, Jarvis (LGM).

Golden-winged Warbler

SpringL SFWA (Tazewell Co), 5 Jun (KBR).

Blue-winged Warbler

MC: 5, LowdMil, 10 Jun (DTW); 4♪♂, SpringCrk, 7 Jun (CSr); 3, JubileeC, 8 Jun (EC).

Black-and-white Warbler

GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co), 2 Jun (DWy); IBSP (So. Unit), 1 Jun (DA); LostMound, 8 Jun (JLe); Spears Wds FP (Cook Co) (♪♂), 28 Jun (VS); MomenceWet (2), 4 Jun (JBH); Humiston Wds NP (Livingston Co), 6 Jun (TH); CarlL-C (2), 7 Jul (DMK:ph).

Black-and-white Warbler. Carlyle Lake, Clinton County. 7 July 2013. Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Prothonotary Warbler

Breeding: Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (ad feeding 2 fledglings), 4 Jul (DKs, GF); Heron Pond/ LtlBlkSl (yg photographed), 13 Jun (JLe:ph). **MC**: 16, HeronPond/LtlBlkSl, 13 Jun (JLe:ph); 12, *Monroe*, 7 Jun (KAM); 12, CRSNA (Johnson Co), 12 Jul (MML); 9, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 12 Jun (JLe:ph); 8, PineHills, 16 Jun (ATS); 7, MomenceWet, 8 Jun (GAW, DKA, PP); 7, MermetL, 12 Jun (GHy et al.). **Others**: LostMound, 28 Jun (DTW); MoraineHills (2), 4 Jul (DFS); COLSP, 2 Jun (BJS); MacArthur Wds FP (Lake Co) (♪♂ & 2), 20-30 Jun (BJS, JSg & GH resp); FoxR (Geneva Twp, Kane Co) (♪♂), 11 Jun (DJS); Des Plaines Riverway NP (DuPage Co) (3 & 2), 11 Jun & 5 Jul resp (GG); WaterfallGlen (♂), 9 Jun (VS); Lemont Twp (Cook Co) (♪♂), 13 Jun (JPk); Woodford Co CA (Woodford Co), 21 Jun (TH); Cooper Pk (Tazewell Co), 11 Jun (EC); BigL (Brown Co) (3), 4 Jul (CD).

Kentucky Warbler singing. Coles County. 19 June 2013. Photo by Ron Bradley.

SWAINSON'S WARBLER

No reports.

Tennessee Warbler

NBSO: Franklin Creek SNA (Lee Co) (♪♂), **15 Jun** (SDB). **EA**: Chi (Grant Pk), **23 Jul** (DFS).

Mourning Warbler

LD: 9-11 Jun (♪♂), Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (MF). **Others**: Oriole Grove FP (Lake Co) (♪♂ on territory), 12-22 Jun (GH, BJS); LowdMil (♪♂), 6 Jun (DFS).

Kentucky Warbler

MC: 19, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 15, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 6, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 13 Jun (JLe). **Others**: MissPalis (4), 8 Jun & 6 Jul (JLe:ph & ASA resp); LowdMil (2♪♂), 6 & 10 Jun (DFS & DTW resp); AmboyM (Lee Co), 26 Jun (DTW); KRSP (Will Co) (4♪♂), 14 Jul (JAS); Coldbrook Twp (Warren Co) (♪♂), 4-5 Jun (SDB); Orange Twp (Knox Co) (4), 7 Jun (SDB); JubileeC (5 incl 3♪♂), 17 Jun (EC); SiloamSpr (3), 2 Jun (CAT); SlelbyvilleL (Shelby Co) (3), 13 Jun (TBs).

Common Yellowthroat

Breeding: Springbrk (one fledgling), 30 Jun (PAM); HennepinL (fledglings), 5 Jul (PAM). **MC**: 77 (75♪♂), GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB); 57, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 44♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 42, *Monroe*, 5 Jun (KAM); 40, Fermi, 27 Jun (DS); 31 (29♪♂), Pierce Twp (DeKalb Co), 17 Jun – 4 Jul (SDB); 28 (25♪♂), SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 27♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 25, RollinsSav, 7 Jul (NT); 24, Pratt'sWW, 7 Jul (KW); 22, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 21, JubileeC, 29 Jun (EC); 20, MoraineHills, 6 Jun (MSz); 20, NelsonL, 30 Jun (SAC); 20, PaulDouglas, 14 Jul (SBB et al.); 20, GreenR, 27 Jul (JIN).

Hooded Warbler

MC: 6♪♂, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 4♪♂, SwallowCliff, 9-11 Jun (DFS); 4 (incl 2♪♂, pr), RockCut, 9 Jun (PAM); 3, CapSauers FP (Cook Co), 2-23 Jun (TMM); 3, PineHills, 29 Jun (KAM, COS). **Others**: Daniel Wright Wds FP (Lake Co) (2♪♂), 18 May – 16 Jun (BJS m.ob.); LostMound, 8 Jun (JLe); MissPalis (2♪♂), 6 Jul (ASA); LowdMil (♪♂), 6 Jun (DFS); McDowellGr (♪♂), 16 Jun (PAM); WaterfallGlen (♀ w/no brood patch; banded), 2 Jul (GG:ph) & (♪♂), throughout Jun (REF); PaulDouglas (2), 3 Jun (SSc); JubileeC (♪♂), 17 Jun (EC); SiloamSpr (2), 1 Jun (DTW).

American Redstart

Breeding: Pratt'sWW (at nest), 19 Jun (LY); MArb (pr feeding 3 juv), 1 Jul (PAM). **MC**: 44♪♂, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 18♪♂, Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); 13, MomenceWet, 8 Jun (GAW, DKA, PP); 13, StarvedRock, 14 Jun (PV); 10♪♂, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 8, GlacialPk, 20 Jun (DO); 7, GalenaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co), 3 Jun (DWy); 7, RockCut, 13 Jun (DTW); 7, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 7♪♂, Morris Twp (Grundy Co), 17-18 Jun (SDB); 6, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 6, CarlL-B, 30 Jun (DMK, MSS). **Others**: IBSP (So. Unit) (ad ♂), 24 Jun (EWW); RollinsSav, 7 Jul (NT); MissPalis (5), 6 Jul (ASA); Castle Rock SP (Ogle Co) (3), 16 Jun (MMS); Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co) (5), 26 Jun (DH); GreeneVal (♪♂), 24 Jul

(DK); SaganashkceSl (Palos) (2), 16 Jun (DFS); Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co) (2), 19 Jun (DKs, GF); Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co) (4), 29 Jun (BDn); Zuma Twp (Rock Island Co) (4), 28 Jun (DFS); Andover Twp (Henry Co) (♪♂), 12 Jun (SDB); Leepertown Twp (Burcau Co) (3), 13 Jul (DFS); Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 14 Jul (NRB et al.); LCal (WolfL) (5♪♂), 9 Jun (WJM); LCal (PowderhornL FP) (♪♂), 30 Jun (WJM); Silver Crk Pr (St. Clair Co) (3), 19 Jun (GHy); Eldon Hazlet SP (Clinton Co) (4), 14 Jun (JLe); Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co) (5), 12 Jun (JLe).

Cerulean Warbler. Rock Cut State Park, Winnebago County. 11 June 2013. Photo by John Longhenry.

Cerulean Warbler

MC: 18♪♂, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 4♪♂, MissPalis, 28 Jun (DFS). **Others**: GalcnaR Trail (Jo Daviess Co) (♪♂), 27 Jun (DWy); RockCut (2♪♂), 5 Jun thru season (DTW, JL:ph et al.); MackinawR SFWA (Tazewell Co), 1 Jun - 6 Jul (MJW, TH); Buckhorn Twp (Brown Co), 1 Jun (MPW, DTW et al.); Red Hills SP (Lawrence Co), 15 Jun (DJM).

Northern Parula

MC: 12, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 13 Jun (JLe:ph); 10♪♂, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 9, CRSNA (Johnson Co), 12 Jul (MML); 8, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 8 Jun (JLe); 8♪♂, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 8, FerneClyffe, 8 Jun (PB). **Northern edge of range**: Sugar River FP (Winnebago Co) (♪♂), 23 Jun (DTW); RockCut, 13 Jun (DTW); MissPalis (2), 8 & 14 Jun (JLe & VMr resp); MArb (♪♂ & pr), 6 Jun - 10 Jul (JZi, ASA, SF et al.); Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co) (2), 29 Jun (BDn); Andover (Henry Co) (♪♂), 14 Jun (SDB); Johnson Sauk Trail SP (Henry Co), 17 Jun & 2 Jul (AFS & BDn resp); HennepinL (2), 14 Jun (DFS); StarvedRock, 14 Jun - 13 Jul (PV, CAT, ASA); Illini SP (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 8-9 Jun (EG, ASA); Richard Young & Lyon FP (Kendall Co) (2), 9 Jun (ASA); KRSP (Will Co) (2), 23 Jun (ASA); KRSP (3), 14 Jun (JBH); KankakeePks, 19 Jun - 5 Jul (JBH); MomenceWet (3), 8 Jun (GAW, DKA, PP). **Others:** JubileeC (2), 8-17 Jun (EC); Detweiller Pk (Peoria Co) (2), 16 Jun (EC); Emiquon, 10 Jun (JLe); SpringL SFWA (Tazewell Co), 13 Jun (JLy); ClintonL (♪♂), 4 Jul (EW); Champaign (♂♪ in suburban town neighborhood for weeks), 14 Jun (RK); Urbana (Carle Pk in residential neighborhood) (♪♂ present for ~ a month), 14 Jun (RB).

Yellow Warbler

Breeding: McDowellGr (nest w/3 nestlings), 16 Jun (PAM); WaterfallGlen (2 stubby-tailed fledglings), 12 Jul (REF); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr carrying food to fledged yg), 22 Jun (ABA); Montrose (nest & fledgling), 21 Jun & 13 Jul resp (LGM), & (ad feeding 4 YWAR nestings, then nestlings fledged), 26 Jun (JPn:ph); LCal (O'Brien L&D) (fledgling), 1 Jul (WJM); JP (ad carrying food to nest & 2 fledged juv being fed by ads), 1 Jun & 13 Jul resp (RLS); BraidwoodL (ad carrying food to young), 14 Jun (JBH:ph); CarlL-C (family group of 4), 13 Jul (DMK). **MC**: 45♪♂, LCal (WolfL), 9 Jun (WJM); 30, LCal (Eggers Grove FP), 19 Jun (WJM); 29 (28♪♂), John Duffy FP (Cook Co), 13-19 Jun (RLS); 24, Herrick Lk FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jun (DFS); 24 (22♪♂), LCal (PowderhornL FP), 5 Jun (WJM); 22, Fermi, 23 Jun (PAM); 22 (20♪♂), LCal (Indian RidgeM), 16 Jun (WJM); 19 (17♪♂), LCal (HegewischM), 7 Jun (WJM); 19, JP, 14-25 Jun (RLS); 18 (17♪♂), LCal (Burnham Pra), 4 Jun (WJM); 17 (13♪♂, 4♀), McDowellGr, 3 Jun (PAM); 17, McGinnis, 22 Jun (GG); 14, RockCut, 13 Jun (DTW); 14, Aurora West FP (Kane Co), 2 Jun (SAC, ASA); 14, Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co), 15 Jun (DFS); 13, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS); 13, Pratt'sWW, 2 Jun (PAM); 12, Springbrk, 11 Jun (VS); 11, Burr Oak FP (Cook Co), 4 Jun (GC); 10, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 7 & 14 Jun (LG & GGi, DWs resp); 10 (9♪♂), Ferson Crk Fen NP (Kane Co), 3 Jun (SDB); 10, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 16 Jun (KW); 10, GreeneVal, 20 Jun (ASA); 10♪♂, Millbrook Twp (Peoria Co), 8 Jun (SDB); 10, KSRA, 2 Jun (TBs).

Chestnut-sided Warbler

RockCut (♪♂ on territory), 9 Jun (PAM); GlacialPk (♪♂ & pr), 4 & 14 Jun (D&MC & RS resp); Ryerson, 11 Jun - 14 Jul, w/2 there, 11 Jul (AS, BJS); LowdMil (2), 6 Jun (DFS); Raceway Wds FP (Kane Co), 18 Jun (BA et al.); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (2 ♪♂ on territory), 8 Jun (PAM); McDowellGr (♪♂ on territory), 10 Jun (PAM); Des Plaines Riverway NP (DuPage Co) (2♪♂), 11 Jun (GG); Springbrk (♪♂), 10 Jun (PAM); PaulDouglas (♪♂), 17 Jun (SSc); Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co) (2♪♂), 11 Jun (SDB); GreenR (♪♂), 17 Jul (JIN); SwallowCliff (2♪♂), 9 Jun (DFS); Cherry Hill Wds FP (Cook Co) (♪♂), 29 Jun (EG); Jarvis (♪♂), 17 Jun (LGM). Late migrant?

Blackpoll Warbler

Lincoln Pk (Chi) (♪♂), **5 Jul** (LGM); JP (♪♂), **22 Jun** (RLS). This is the ninth Jun/Jul summer/breeding season that this species has been recorded in Illinois since 1907, with this and six of the other records all since 1983. It is also the 2nd latest Jun record and only the 2nd Jul record.

Pine Warbler

Breeding: MoraineHills (McHenryD) (pr, w/♀ feeding 2+ nestlings), 4 Jul (DFS). **MC**: 5, LowdMil, 10 Jun (DTW); 5, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM); 3, Pomona, 29 Jun (KAM, COS); 3, PineHills, 29 Jun (GP). **Others**: MoraineHills, 9 Jun - 11 Jul (MSz, DFS et al.); IBSP, 22-23 Jun (EWW, BJS); Lyons Wds FP (Lake Co) (♪♂), 18-21 Jun (BJS, EWW); MissPalis, 8-28 Jun (JLe, DFS); LowdMil (♪♂), 6 Jun (DFS); Fabyan FP (Kane Co) (♪♂), 16 Jun (ASA); MArb, 9 Jun (JZi); WaterfallGlen, 9 Jun (VS); StarvedRock (2), 14 Jun (PV); SiloamSpr, 1 Jun (DTW, JAS et al.).

Yellow-throated Warbler

Breeding: MoraineHills (McHenryD) (3♪♂ & ♀ feeding a fledgling), 4 Jul (DFS). **MC**: 12 (11♪♂), LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 5, MoraineHills, 4 Jul (DFS); 5, MissPalis, 8 Jun (JLe); 5, Pomona, 29 Jun (KAM, COS). **Others**: Sugar River FP (Winnebago Co) (2♪♂), 17 Jul (DTW); Indian Hill FP (Winnebago Co), 10 Jun (DTW); RockCut, 11 Jun (JL); IBSP (So. Unit) (♪♂), 2 Jun - 14 Jul (BJS, MMC et al.); LowdMil (3♪♂), 6 Jun (DFS); Dixon (Lowell Pk, Lee Co) (♪♂), 27 Jul (DTW); Westchester (in Sycamores in suburban, residential neighborhood, Cook Co) (♪♂), 26 Jun (DFS et al.); Loud Thunder FP (Rock Island Co) (3), 29 Jun (BDn); StarvedRock (1-2), 13-14 Jun (PV); Illini SP (LaSalle Co) (3), 8 Jun (DFS); Morris Twp (Grundy Co) (♪♂), 6 Jul (SDB); KRSP (3; pr & ♪♂), 30 Jun (SDB, SLD); MomenceWet, 8 Jun (GAW, DKA, PP); Sandy Crk (Marshall Co), 14 Jun (DFS); JubileeC, 29 Jun (EC); Urbana (Champaign Co) (♂♪ in campustown office neighborhood in Sycamore trees & in another residential neighborhood), 14-28 & 12 Jun (RK & RBr resp); Spfld (♪♂ in residential neighborhood), 17-21 Jun (RLJ).

Prairie Warbler

Breeding: Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co) (pr carrying food & pr feeding 2 fledglings), 16 Jun & 5 Jul (DFS & PAM resp). **MC**: 7♪♂, KCP, 8 Jul (JR); 5, CRSNA (Michael Wolff Memorial Wet), 12 Jun (JLe). **Others**: LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); JP, 4 Jun (RLS); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co) (3♪♂, ♀), 17 Jun (DTW, BCW); SandRidge, 1-16 Jun (KAM, IOS); Fox Ridge SP (Coles Co), 21 Jun (JH); ClPS Lk (Jasper Co) (♪♂), 10 Jun (RES, CLH).

Black-throated Green Warbler

Prairie Stream FP (Lake Co) (♪♂), 19 Jun (BJS); MissPalis (♪♂), 14 Jun - 21 Jul (VMr et al.).

Canada Warbler

Half Day FP (Lake Co) (♪♂), 16 Jun (NM); LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS). Have summered & nested at this location multiple times (SDB).

Yellow-breasted Chat

MC: 13, Belknap_6 Jun (VMK); 11, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 11, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 9 & 8, KCP, 8 Jul & 19 Jun resp (JR); 8, Pembroke, 16 Jun (RDH); 8♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 7♪♂, JubileeC, 8 Jun (EC); 7, KSRA, 17 Jul (JR); 7, *nw. Massac*, 26 May (SDB); 6, ICCA, 4 Jul (RDH). **Others**: LostMound, 28 Jun (fide DB); IBSP (♪♂), 1 Jun thru period (AFS, BJS, DRD et al.); LowdMil, 10 Jun (DTW); Great Western Trailhead (Kane Co), 13 Jul (BA); Fermi, 11 Jun - 14 Jul (DS, PAM); Herrick Lk FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jun (DFS); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (♪♂), 8 Jun (PAM); Springbrk (2), 30 Jun - 7 Jul (PAM, LP, DFS et al.); WaterfallGlen (3♪♂), 12 Jul (REF); John Duffy FP (Cook Co) (2), 13-19 Jun (RLS); PaulDouglas (♪♂), 23 Jun - 14 Jul (LRt, SBB, NT et al.); Jarvis, 20 Jul (LGM); PlumCrk, 14 - 23 Jun (SBB, JIE et al.); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co), 17 Jun - 14 Jul (DTW, PAM, DH et al.); StarvedRock (2), 14 Jun (PV); GLPSNA (4♪♂), 6 Jul (SDB); Midewin, 16-23 Jun (MD, ASA); DPCA, 14 Jun (JRH); BraidwoodL (2), 14 Jun 14 Jul (JBH, JAS); Maz/Braid (2), 10 Jun (JBH); *e. Kankakee*, 29 Jun (JBH); MackinawR SFWA (Tazewell Co) (2), 21 Jul (DHr); Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (2), 11 Jul (SA); Merwin NP (McLean Co) (3), 8 Jun (BM); Friends Crk CP (Macon Co) (2♪♂), 7 Jul (TAM).

Eastern Towhee

Breeding: McDowellGr (2 pr carrying food to yg), 10 Jun & (7 fledglings), 16 Jun (PAM); *Coles* (pr @ nest feeding 3 newly hatched yg), 30 Jun – 3 Jul (RB:ph). **MC**: 25, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM); 23, McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 17, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 17, JubileeC, 17 Jun (EC); 16, KCP, 8 Jul (JR); 15, LowdMil, 6 Jul (DFS); 15, John Duffy FP (Cook Co), 19 Jun (RLS); 15, Orange Twp (Knox Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 15, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 14, SwallowCliff, 11 Jun (DFS); 13, Erin Twp (Stephenson Co), 25 Jun – 8 Jul (SDB); 13, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 12, Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB); 11, Springbrk, 10 Jun & 10 Jul (PAM & ASA resp); 11, KCP, 3 Jun (JR); 10, Carterville (Williamson Co), 9 Jun - 7 Jul (JGd); 10, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd).

Chipping Sparrow

Breeding: Spring Twp (Boone Co) (nest w/yg), 26 Jun (LHe); LowdMil (2 pr carrying food to yg), 10 Jun (DTW); McDowellGr (pr w/3 fledglings), 10 Jun (PAM); Hadley Valley FP (Will Co) (feeding a juv BHCO), 27 Jun (CC). **MC**: 53, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 35, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 32, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 30, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM); 26♪♂, Anderson Twp (Clark Co), 20 Jun (SDB); 25, New Lenox_, 16 Jun (ASA); 24♪♂, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 23, LowdMil, 6 Jun (DFS); 21, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 20, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jul (JZi, JCa); 20, SiloamSpr, 15 Jun (JLe); 20, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM).

Clay-colored Sparrow

Breeding: Springbrk (♂ carrying food), 30 Jun (PAM, AFS). **Others**: No. Branch CA (McHenry Co) (♪♂), 6 Jun (D&MC); IBSP (No. Unit) (2♪♂), 2-29 Jun (BJS, AFS); Lakewood FP (Lake Co) (1-2 ♪♂), 13 Jun - 14 Jul (BJS); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (♪♂), 1 Jun - 31 Jul (DW, CM:ph, m.ob.); SongbirdSl (DuPage Co) (3; 2♪♂), 1-15 Jun (ABA:ph, GP); Cantigny Pk (DuPage Co) (♪♂), 8 Jun (KW:ph et al); Springbrk (2♪♂, ♀), 10 Jun (PAM); Burr Oak FP (Cook Co) (♪♂), 16 Jun (GHa); PoplarCrk (♪♂), 14 Jun (CSr); JP, 5 Jul (RLS); Midewin (♪♂), 13 Jun (MB).

Field Sparrow

Breeding: Fermi (ad carrying yg to nest with 2+ begging nestlings), 16 Jul (PAM); SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co) (2 pr feeding yg & 1 fledged juv), 13 Jul (ABA); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (ad carrying food to yg), 1 Jun (LY) & (pr carrying food), 8 Jun (PAM); McDowellGr (2 pr carrying food to nests), 3 Jun & (5 ad carrying food to nests incl a nest w/4 FISP nestlings), 10 Jun & (2 nests w 4 eggs, 3 nestlings), 16 Jun (PAM); WaterfallGlen (recently fledged yg), 12 Jul (REF); SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); John Duffy FP (Cook Co) (ad feeding juv), 19 Jun (RLS); Bloom Twp (Cook Co) (2 nests; one w/3 FISP eggs & one w/2 FISP eggs, 1 BHCO egg), 1 Jul (SDB); PlumCrk (pr incl ad w/caterpillar, feeding 3 fledglings), 8 Jun (VMr). **MC**: 65, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 28, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 28♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 27 & 23, Midewin, 5 Jul & 4 Jun (DFS & CMA resp); 25♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 24 (18♪♂), SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 24, John Duffy FP (Cook Co), 19 Jun (RLS); 20, PlumCrk, 14 Jun (SBB); 19, Fermi, 27 Jun & 11 Jul (DS); 19 (10♪♂), McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); 19♪♂, GLPSNA, 6-12 Jul (SDB); 18, Braidwood Dunes & Savanna NP (Will Co), 23 Jun (ASA); 17, Silver Springs SP (Kendall Co), 23 Jun (DFS); 16, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 7 Jun (LG); 16, Pratt'sWW, 11 Jun (GP); 16, PoplarCrk, 14 Jun (CSr); 15, Nachusa, 17 Jul (LHe); 15, Herrick Lk FP (DuPage Co), 10 Jun (DFS); 15, SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co), 13 Jul (ABA); 15, Sang, 14 Jul (HDB).

Vesper Sparrow

Breeding: GLNTC (nest w/5 VESP eggs), 20 Jun (BS, DRD); China Twp (Lee Co) (stubby-tailed fledgling near ♪♂), 14 Jun (SDB). **MC**: 30♪♂, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 27, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 25, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 23♪♂, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 19, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 15, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 13, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 12, LostMound, 28 Jun (DTW). **Other**: Newport Twp (Lake Co) (7), 21 Jun (BJS). **Southern edge of range**: Anderson Twp (Clark Co), 20 Jun (SDB); *Clay* (2), 15 Jun (CLH); *Lawrence*, 14 Jul (CLH).

Lark Sparrow

Breeding: IBSP (So. Unit) (5 including pr w/3 juv) & (one carrying insect), 30 Jun & 12 Jun resp (BJS et al.), w/ ♪♂ there 8-10 Jun (PWS, AFS); Lost Mound (ad carrying food to likely nest site), 14 Jun (VMr); SiloamSpr (Buckhorn Unit) (nest building), 17 May (EWW); *Wabash* (pr feeding yg), 4 Aug (CLH). **MC**: 9, Nachusa, 20 Jun (DTW); 8, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 6, Pembroke, 7 Jul (DBa); 5, Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 18 & 26 Jun (DH & DFS resp); 5, SandRidge, 1 Jun (SZ). **Others**: Colored Sands FP (Winnebago Co) (4), 8 Jun (JL); Indian Hill FP (Winnebago Co), 10 Jun (DTW); IBSP (So. Unit) (1 & 2), 8 & 12 Jun (PWS & BJS resp); China Twp (Lee Co) (2 pr), 15 Jun (SDB); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co), 17 Jun (DTW); Chinquapin Bluffs LWR (Woodford Co), 4 Jun (TH); Moraine View SP (McLean Co) (3), 30 Jun (SA); *Richland*, 6 Jul (CLH); *Edwards*, 9 Jun (RES); Karnak (Johnson Co) (♂), 29 Jun (EWW).

Savannah Sparrow

Breeding: SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co) (pr w/food for yg), 3 & 13 Jul (ABA); SpringCrk (2 pr w/food for yg), 3 Jun (ABA); Springbrk (3 pr w/fledglings), 30 Jun (PAM); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr w/ food for yg & 2 more juv seen & ad on nest), 22 Jun (ABA); Bartel Grassland (Cook Co) (ad carrying food to yg), 14 Jun (WJM); LCal (O'Brien L&D) (ad w/fledgling), 18 & 20 Jul (WJM). **MC**: 35 (16♪♂), Springbrk, 30 Jun (PAM); 25, PoplarCrk, 14 Jun (CSr); 23 (14♪♂ incl 5 pr), Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 22, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 19, Lake in the Hills CA (McHenry Co); 6 Jun (STl); 18, Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 14 Jul (REP); 17, MArb, 18 Jun (JZi); 15, Bowes Crk Wds FP (Kane Co), 8 Jun (TB); 15, Muirhead Springs FP (Kane Co), 10 Jun (STl); 15, PaulDouglas, 13 Jun (AG); 14♪♂, Ganeer Twp (Kankakee Co), 30 Jun (SDB); 13, Fermi, 11 Jun (DS); 13, SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co), 13 Jul (ABA); 12, MArb, 20 Jul (JZi); 10, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 5 Jun (VS).

Grasshopper Sparrow

Breeding: SpringCrk (ad carrying food for yg), 9 Jun (WP). **MC**: 73, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 52, Midewin, 17 Jun (JRH);

Henslow's Sparrow.
Kennekuk County Park,
Vermilion County. 25 May 2013.
Photo by Greg Lambeth.

13, PoplarCrk (Schaumburg Rd grasslands), 14 Jun (SFn, CSr); 12, Nachusa, 27 Jun (KW, GP); 11, Orland Grasslands (Cook Co), 8 Jun (TLs); 11, DPCA, 14 Jun (JRH); 9♪♂, Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 6, Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 26 Jun (DH); 6, Hahnaman Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 27 Jun (DH); 6♪♂, Burr Oak FP (Cook Co), 4 Jun (GC); 6, Peoria Apt (Peoria Co), 23 Jul (EC); 5, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (WP). **Others**: Rckfd Apt (4), 23 Jun (STl, JLr); Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (2), 21-23 Jun (BJS, DRD); Merritt Pra FP (DeKalb Co) (3♪♂), 4 Jul (SDB); Pratt'sWW (3♪♂), 1 Jun (PAM); Fermi (4), 1 Jun (PAM); MArb (2), 20 Jun (JZi); McDowellGr (2♪♂), 16 Jun (PAM); PaulDouglas (3), 21 Jun (SSc); PlumCrk (3), 14 Jun (SBB); KRSP (3), 30 Jun (JBH:ph); Bonnie's Pra NP (Iroquois Co) (2♪♂), 21 Jun (SDB); SandRidge (4), 2 Jun (KAM et al.); *w. Morgan* (2), 1-2 Jun (DTW, CAT, TAM et al.); Dudleyville_ (2), 12 Jun (DMK); CarlL-C (4), 15 Jun (DMK); Karl Bartel Grassland Res (Marion Co) (3), 14 Jun (JLe). One or two birds found in many other areas throughout the state.

Henslow's Sparrow

Breeding: McDowellGr (♀ @ nest w/4 eggs), 3 Jun (PAM). **MC**: 36♪♂, GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB); 30&28, PaulDouglas, 7 & 21 Jun resp (SSc); 20 (17♪♂), Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 19♪♂, BergmanSl FP (Cook Co), 15 Jun (RLS); 16♪♂, Pratt'sWW, 11 Jun (PAM, GP); 15, PoplarCrk (Schaumburg Rd grasslands), 23 Jun (SFn); 14♪♂, Fermi, 31 Jul (PAM); 14, DPCA, 14 Jun (JRH); 11, RockCut, 5 Jul (KP); 10♪♂, Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 21 Jun (BJS); 9, Lake in the Hills Fen CA (McHenry Co), 6 Jun (STl); 9, RollinsSav, 16 Jul (BJS); 9 (8♪♂), Woosung Twp (Ogle Co), 26 Jun – 10 Jul (SDB). **Others**: LostMound (3), 28 Jun (DTW); GlacialPk (6), 4 Jun (D&MC); Byron FP (Ogle Co) (2), 27 Jun (DTW); Nachusa (5), 17 Jul (LHe); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (5), 14 Jul (DFS); Big Rock FP (Kane Co) (3), 27 Jul (TB, KAi et al.); Hannaford FP (Kane Co) (6), 4 Jun (STl); Aurora West FP (Kane Co) (4), 4 Jun (STl); Pingree Grove FP (Kane Co) (4), 12 Jun (STl); West Branch FP (DuPage Co) (4), 16 Jul (LY); Springbrk (7), 7 Jun (JAS); McDowellGr (4♪♂), 10 Jun (PAM); PoplarCrk (5; 4♪♂), 4 Jun (ABA); Orland Grassland (Cook Co) (4), 14 Jun (SMs); Gensburg-Markham Pra NP (Cook Co) (5♪♂), 6 Jun (ABA); PlumCrk (4), 14 Jun (SBB); HennepinL (5), 27 Jul (DFS); Midewin (8), 4 Jun (CMA); Ganeer Twp (Kankakee Co) (♪♂), 30 Jun – 7 Jul (SDB). In alfalfa field in which I've never had one in 40 years!

Grasshopper Sparrow.
Carlyle Lake, Clinton County.
13 July 2013.
Photo by Dan Kassebaum.

Song Sparrow

Breeding: Lake Villa (Lake Co) (3 recently fledged yg), 23 Jul (RBs); SongbirdSl (♂ carrying food for yg), 13 Jul (ABA); McDowellGr (several ad carrying food to yg), 3 Jun & (7 fledglings), 16 Jun (PAM); PoplarCrk (2 pr feeding fledged yg), 4 Jun (ABA); MArb (ad feeding fledgling), 4 Jun & (recently fledged yg), 24 Jun & (carrying nest material), 16 Jul (JZi). **MC**: 65, Hadley Valley FP (Will Co), 25 Jul (CC); 51♪♂, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 49♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 43♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 39, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 38, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 37, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 35, MArb, 20 Jun (JZi); 35 (34♪♂), GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB); 34, Pratt'sWW, 9 Jul (KW); 31, NelsonL, 15 Jun (MM); 31, New Lenox_, 16 Jun (ASA); 29 (27♪♂), Pierce Twp (DeKalb Co), 17 Jun – 4 Jul (SDB); 28 (16♪♂), McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 27, Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); 26, Linne Pra (Cook Co), 29 Jun (SC); 26, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 25, RollinsSav, 7 Jul (NT).

Lincoln's Sparrow

LD: 7 Jun, Chi (Lincoln Pk GC) (LGM).

Swamp Sparrow

MC: 16, LCal (Burnham Pra), 4 Jun (WJM); 14♪♂, Kilbuck Creek HA (Ogle Co), 10 Jul (SDB); 12, MoraineHills, 4 Jul (DFS); 10, VoloBog, 14 Jul (DO); 9 (7♪♂), LCal (PowderhornL FP), 5 Jun (WJM); 8 (7♪♂), GLPSNA, 22 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB); 7♪♂, Garden Prairie Sl (Boone Co), 10 Jun (SDB); 7♪♂, White Rock Twp (Ogle Co), 10 Jul (SDB); 7 (6♪♂), Pierce Twp (DeKalb Co), 17 Jun (SDB); 7♪♂, Pratt'sWW, 1 Jun (PAM); 6, RollinsSav, 11 Jun (BJS); 5, Yonder Pra NP (Woodstock, McHenry Co), 21 Jul (RS); 5, COLSP, 23 Jun (BJS). **Others**: NygrenWet (4), 7 Jun (PAM); GlacialPk (3), 30 Jun (JLr, STl); Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co) (4), 4 Jul (RBs); Spring Bluff FP (Lake Co) (3 territories), 26 Jun (EWW); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (4), 14 Jul (DFS); SauerKame (3), 27 Jul (ASA); Ferson Crk Fen NP (Kane Co) (4♪♂), 3 Jun (SDB); China Twp (Lee Co) (3), 11 Jul (SDB); GreenWing (3), 5 Jun (SH); LincolnM NA (Wheaton, DuPage Co) (4), 24 Jun (PAM); NelsonL (3), 27 Jul (ASA); SpringCrk (4), 9 Jun (WP); Normantown Wet (Will Co) (3), 31 Jul (ASA); St. Clair (♪♂), 5-7 Jun (KAM).

White-throated Sparrow

Chi (Park at Lakeshore East) (3), 3-6 Jun then (♪♂), 11 Jun - 11 Jul (CL:ph).

Summer Tanager

MC: 10, HeronPond/ LtlBlkSl, 2 Jun (JGd); 7, CaveCrk BBS, 28 May (SDB); 6, CONWR, 5-6 Jun (JGd); 5, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 5, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK). **Others**: GlacialPk, 14 Jun (RSt); LowdMil (2), 10 Jun (DTW); Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co) (pr), 31 May – 5 Jul (SDB); MArb (2♂), 19 Jun - 28 Jul & (♂&♀), 3 Jul (ASA, SF & LR resp, et al.); CranberrySl (Palos) (♂), 28 Jun (VS); BergmanSl (♂), 8 Jun (RLS); Spears Wds FP (Cook Co) (♂), 8 Jun - 21 Jul (RKh, MMC); StarvedRock (2), 14 Jun (PV); JubileeC (2), 29 Jun (EC); Peoria (Robinson Pk) (2♂, ♀), 9 Jun (EC); Sang (4), 12 Jul (HDB).

Scarlet Tanager

MC: 17♪♂, Deer Grove (West) FP (Cook Co), 5 Jul (SDB); 11, CaneyCrk BBS, 29 May (SDB); 8, Red Gate FP (Cook Co), 2 Jun (DFS); 7, JubileeC, 17 Jun (EC); 7, PineHills, 8 Jun (PB); 5, RockCut, 13 Jun (DTW); 5, MArb, 1 Jul (PAM); 5, St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co), 27 Jun (SF); 5, SiloamSpr, 14 Jun (JLe).

Northern Cardinal

Breeding: Lincolnshire (Lake Co) (♂ feeding juv BHCO), 27 Aug (NC:ph); McDowellGr (5 fledglings & a ♀ feeding BHCO fledgling), 10 Jun (PAM); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (ad feeding yg), 14 Jun (LY); Bunker Hill FP (Cook Co) (begging fledglings), 10 Jun (TLy); Morris Twp (Grundy Co) (ad feeding juv), 18 Jun (SDB); Spfld (♂ feeding begging fledgling), 8 Aug (RLJ); Mode (Shelby Co) (ad nest building), 8 Apr (KAF). **MC**: 54, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 50, New Lenox_, 16 Jun (ASA); 47, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 44, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 44, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 42, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 39, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK); 35, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 31, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 27, KankakeePks, 21 Jul (JBH); 24, McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); 22, HennepinL, 5 Jul (PAM).

Rose-breasted Grosbeak

Breeding: St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (carrying nest material), 27 Jun (SF); McClaughry Springs Wds FP (Cook Co) (♀ feeding juv BHCO), 8 Jun (LR); Centralia (Marion Co) (♂ feeding sunflowers to fledgling), 30 Jun (JJ). **MC**: 13 (8♪♂, 3♀ & pr), McDowellGr, 10 Jun (PAM); 13, SandRidge, 2 Jun (TAM); 9, *n. Iroquois*, 4 Jul (RDH); 8 (incl 4 juv eating mulberries), GreenWing, 3 Jun (SH); 8, SpringCrk, 2 Jul (CSr); 8, Paddock Wds FP (Cook Co), 17 Jun (LR); 8, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 7, Springbrk, 10 Jun (PAM); 7 (4♪♂ & 6 territories), Andover Twp (Henry Co), 14 Jun (SDB). **Southern edge of range**: Martinsville & Orange Twps (Clark Co) (3♪♂), 20 Jun (SDB); St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); Kell_ (3♪♂), 19 Jun (SDB); Prairie & Oblong Twps (Crawford Co) (3♪♂), 20 Jun (SDB); Dudleyville_, 12 Jun (DMK); Jamestown_ (2), 11 Jun (DMK); Beaucoup_ (2), 9 Jun (DMK); Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 Jun (DMK); WabashR (s. Wabash Co) (♪♂), 8 Jun (CLH).

BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK

River Forest (Cook Co) (♂ @ yard feeder), 3 Jun (JSA:ph, AG:ph, EG:ph, EDG). One of few well-documented records of this species for Illinois.

Blue Grosbeak

Breeding: LCal (O'Brien L&D) (pr cop & ♀ carrying nest material), 22 Jun (WJM:ph); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co) (pr incl ♀ carrying nest material), 16 Jun (DFS). **MC**: 11, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 7, Silver Crk Pr (St. Clair Co), 24 Jul (GHy); 7, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 7, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK); 6, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 5, Pulaski_, 7 Jun (VMK). **Others**: LostMound (3♂, ♀), 28 Jun (DTW); Rckfd (Apt) (pr), 22 May-20 Jun (DTW); Nachusa (♪♂), 17-31 Jul (DTW, BCW et al.); MArb (1st summer ♂), 7 Jun - 13 Jul (JZi:ph et al.); MlrMdws (♂), 9 Jun (JSA, LM); Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co) (2♂, ♀), 26 Jun (DH); Knoch Knolls Pk (DuPage Co), 5 Jun (JAS); MineralM NP (Henry Co) (♂) & Gold Twp (Bureau Co) (♂), 2 Jun (MAM); Hennepin Twp (Putnam Co), 17 Jun (DTW, BCW); Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co) (♪♂), 15 Jun (DFS); Midewin (4♪♂), 5 Jul (DFS); BraidwoodL (♪♂), 17 Jun (JBH); Orange Twp (Knox Co) (♪♂), 7 Jun (SDB); Bonnie's Pra NP (Iroquois Co) (♪♂), 21 Jun (SDB); Sang (4), 9 Jul (HDB); CarlL-C (4), 2 Jun & 7 Jul (DMK); Levee Rd (Monroe Co) (4), 1 Jul (DMK). Numerous far-northern Illinois records for this species once again.

Indigo Bunting

Breeding: St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (21 incl ads carrying food to yg), 27 Jun (SF); Elsen's Hill FP (DuPage Co) (several ♀s carrying food to nestlings), 8 Jun (PAM); McDowellGr (22 incl several ads carrying food to yg), 10 Jun (PAM). **MC**: 97, *Monroe*, 5 Jun (KAM); 74, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 70♪♂, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 52, BeaverdamL_, 5 Jun (VMK); 49, *Wayne*, 20 Jul (CAT); 40, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 24 Jun (DMK); 39, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 38, Oakwood Bottoms (Jackson Co), 22 Jun (GHy); 35, HennepinL, 12 Jul (DFS); 35, *Adams*, 21 Jul (CAT); 35, RendL (Franklin Co), 21 Jul (JGd); 30, Chau, 24 Jul (BG); 29, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM); 28, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 28, JubileeC, 8 Jun (EC); 27, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 26 (19♂, 7♀), McDowellGr, 16 Jun (PAM); 26, JubileeC, 17 Jun (EC); 25, MArb, 27 Jul (RA); 24, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 23, Sandy Crk (Marshall Co), 14 Jun (DFS); 23, CONWR, 28 Jul (JGd); 22, TwoRivers, 25 Jul (CMe, JM); 21, Fermi, 14 Jul (PAM); 20, SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA).

Northern Cardinal feeding Brown-headed Cowbird. Lincolnshire, Lake County. 27 August 2013. Photo by Norm Carl.

PAINTED BUNTING

No reports.

Dickcissel

Breeding: Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (pr carrying food for yg), 22 Jun (ABA); Millbrook Twp (Peoria Co) (♀ on nest w/4 DICK eggs), 7 Jun (SDB). **MC**: 91♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 88, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 76, *Monroe*, 5 Jun (KAM); 69, Wauponsee Glacial Trail (Will Co), 9 Jun (JAS); 60, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 13 & 28 Jun (DMK, MSS); 58, *Menard*, 2 Jun (BGe); 57, *w. Morgan*, 8 Jun (NRG); 47, Fermi, 11 Jun (DS); 47, Midewin, 5 Jul (DFS); 45, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 42, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 40, Rckfd Apt, 18 Jun (DTW); 37, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 37, HennepinL, 27 Jul (DFS); 36, *Adams*, 21 Jul (CAT); 35 (30♪♂), Sullivan Twp (Livingston Twp), 7 Jul (SDB); 32, CONWR, 10 Jul (JGd); 31 (30♪♂), GLPSNA, 18 Jun-12 Jul (SDB); 31, CampPoint_, 13 Jun (VMK); 29, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 29, MississippiR Levee Rd (Union Co), 28 Jun (NRG et al.); 28 (23♪♂, 4♀), Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 28, Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); 27, Sang, 16 Jun (HDB); 26, Nachusa, 17 Jul (LHe); 26 (18♪♂, 8♀), SauerKame, 20 Jun (PAM); 25, Zuma Twp (Rock Island Co), 28 Jun (DFS). **Others**: No. Branch CA (McHenry Co) (13), 1 Jun (NK); Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co) (12), 16 Jun (JAn); GlacialPk (4), 16 Jun (SD); IBSP (18; 16♂, 2♀), 24 Jun – 28 Jul (EWW); Heron Crk FP (Lake Co) (3), 14 Jun (MSz); Fort Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (6), 23 Jun (DRD); Prairie Green Pk (Geneva, Kane Co) (3), 11 Jun (BA); Jon J. Duerr FP (Kane Co) (3), 29 Jul (SD); SpringCrk (10), 21 Jun (JV); MArb (4), 9-18 Jun (JZi); Winfield Twp ("Pella Ponds", DuPage Co) (11), 8 Jun (LY);Orland Grasslands (Cook Co) (17), 14 Jun (JSr); BergmanSl FP (Cook Co) (19), 15 Jun (RLS); John Duffy FP (Cook Co) (3), 13 Jun (RLS); PlumCrk (10), 16 Jun (LHs); Bartel Grassland (Cook Co) (8), 16 Jun (MK).

Bobolink

Breeding: SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co) (♀ carrying food to yg), 15 Jun (ABA); Bartel Grassland (Cook Co) (♂ & ♀ carrying food to yg), 14 Jun (WJM); Ganeer Twp (Kankakee Co) (♀ w/4 juv), 7 Jul (SDB). **MC**: 92, PaulDouglas, 3-7 Jun (SSc); 48 (39♂, 7♀, juv), Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 36, Fermi, 11 Jun (DS);

33, RollinsSav, 3 Jun (DO); 26, Bartel Grassland (Cook Co), 16 Jun (MK); 25, Bowes Crk FP (Kane Co), 8 Jun (TB); 22, Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co), 29 Jun (JAn); 22 (15♂, 7♀), SpringCrk, 3 Jun (ABA); 18 (incl 9♪♂, 4♀/juv & ♀ w/4 juv), Ganeer Twp (Kankakee Co), 7 Jul (SDB). **Others**: Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (16), 14 Jul (REP); Nachusa (5), 3 Jul (JWW); Potawatomi Wds FP (DeKalb Co) (13), 21 Jul (LHe); Hampshire FP (Kane Co) (10), 9 Jul (AM); Burnidge FP (Kane Co) (13), 26 Jul (JLr); HennepinL (3), 27 Jul (DFS); Double T SFWA (Fulton Co) (7♪♂), 14 Jun (PB, LB); *Menard* (Hoppler Rd) (2), 2 Jun (BGe); *w.Morgan*, 8 Jun (NRG).

Red-winged Blackbird

Breeding: SongbirdSl (DuPage Co) (2♀ carrying food for yg), 15 Jun (ABA); McDowellGr (14 nestlings near fledging from 4 nests), 10 Jun (PAM); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (♀s feeding 2 juv & 2 BHCO fledglings being fed by ♀s), 22 Jun (ABA); Air Station Pra (Glenview, Cook Co) (ad feeding fledgling), 9 & 30 Jun (SC); Pontiac Twp (Livingston Co) (♀ on nest w/2 RWBL eggs), 4 Jun (SDB). **MC**: 476 & 450, *w. Monroe*, 21 Jul & 16 Jun resp (C&PD); 324, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 310, *Adams*, 21 Jul (CAT); 305, Chau, 1 Jul (JGd); 290, Beaucoup_, 9 Jun (DMK); 265, CampPoint_, 13 Jun (VMK); 252, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 246, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 239, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 227, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 214, NelsonL, 1 Jun (MM); 200, HennepinL, 20 Jul (NS); 200, TwoRivers, 12 Jul (DMK); 200, CarlL-C, 30 Jun & 13 Jul (DMK); 188, MArb, 20 Jun (JZi); 172, Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); 150, Gaylord WA (Peoria Co), 5 Jul (EC); 143, Sheffield_, 29 Jun (DFS); 132, GlacialPk, 4 Jun (DTW); 130, Windance AcresM (Lake Villa, Lake Co), 29 Jul (RBs); 126, BannerM (Peoria Co), 11 Jun (EC). **Note**: Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (bird perched on head of white-tailed deer for 5 minutes picking off parasites near the deer's eye with no objection from the deer), 15 Jun (MF).

Brewer's Blackbird. Schlapp Road Sod Farm, Kendall County. 13 Jnly 2013. Photo by Andrew Aldrich.

Eastern Meadowlark

Breeding: Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co) (pr carrying food), 29 Jun (SCn); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (ad feeding food to juv & ad carrying food for yg), 22 Jun (ABA); Midlothian Meadows FP (Cook Co) (ad w/food for nearby juv), 6 Jun (ABA). **MC**: 71 (51♪♂), GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB); 65, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 57, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 51, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 43, Columbia_, 9 Jun (KAM); 39, NelsonL, 1 Jun (MM); 38, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 34, Milford_, 21 Jun (SDB); 30, Midewin, 4 Jun (CMA); 30, Sang, 16 Jun (HDB); 29, Wauponsee Glacier Trail (Will Co), 9 Jun (JAS); 29, Fermi, 11 Jun (DS); 28, St. Louis Regional Airport (Bethalto, Madison Co), 24 May (SDB); 26, Millbrook Twp (Peoria Co), 7 Jun (SDB); 25, *Menard*, 2 Jun (BGe); 24, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 21, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 20, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 28 Jun (DMK).

Western Meadowlark

Breeding: Colfax (McLean Co) (ad carrying food), 7 Jul (MLPR, MH); CarlL-C (ad feeding yg), 15 Jun (DMK:ph). **MC**: 23, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 19, Troy Grove_, 16 Jun (JAS); 12, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 6, Panola Twp (Woodford Co), 27-29 Jun (AC, BM); 5, Big Bend SFWA (Whiteside Co), 2 Jul (CW). **Others**: Lafayette Twp (Ogle Co) (♪♂), 15 Jun (SDB); Genoa sod farm (DeKalb Co) (2), 6 Jul (ASA); SauerKame, 8 Jun (JJD); Walnut Twp (Bureau Co) (♪♂), 12 Jun (SDB); Miller Twp (LaSalle Co), 8 Jun (DFS); Waltham Twp (LaSalle Co) (♪♂), 7-12 Jul (JAS, DFS et al.); Oswego (Kendall Co), 9 Jun (ASA); Nettle Crk Twp (Grundy Co), 8 Jun (DFS); Midewin (2), 30 Jun (ASA); Suez Twp (Mercer Co) (3♪♂), 5 Jun (SDB); Pontiac_, 21 Jun (VMK); Streator_ (4), 8 Jun (JAS); Sullivan Twp (Livingston Co) (♪♂), 25 May-7 Jul (SDB); *ne. Kankakee* (2), 2 Jun (JBH); MomenceSod, 29 Jul (JBH); Stillwell_, 14 Jun (VMK); Lawndale Twp (McLean Co) (pr), late May - 7 Jul (MLPR).

Western Meadowlark carrying food for young. Woodford County. 29 June 2013. Photo by Ben Murphy.

Yellow-headed Blackbird

Breeding: HennepinL (♀ w/2 juv), 27 Jul (DFS). **MC**: 10 (4♂, ♀ & 5 juv), Pingree Grove (Kane Co), 22 Jun (SDB); 7, PaulDouglas, 3 Jun (SSc); 6♂, GlacialPk, 4 Jun (DTW); 6 (4♂, 2♀), HennepinL, 18 Jun (PAM). **Others**: Pleasant Valley CA (McHenry Co), 2-11 Jun (CL et al.); Antioch Twp (WadleyM, Lake Co) (3), 2 Jun - 14 Jul (BJS); RollinsSav (♪♂), 2 Jun - 13 Jul (BJS, ND et al.); LCal (Harborside GC), 19 Jun (fide:ph CAM); LCal (Eggers Grove FP (♂), 3 Jun (DFS); ClintonL (w/flock of COGR), 15 Jun (JLe:ph). This species has become extremely scarce in ne. Illinois, once the stronghold of this species breeding range in the state.

Brewer's Blackbird

Breeding: IBSP (pr carrying food for yg & carrying fecal sac), 27-28 Jul & 22 Jun resp (EWW); Schlapp Rd. sod farm (Kendall Co) (ads carrying food for yg), 13 Jul (ASA:ph). **MC**: 15, Schlapp Rd. sod farm (Naausay Twp, Kendall Co), 29 Jul (ASA:ph, JLe:ph); 15 & 5, IBSP (So. Unit), 20 Jul & 8 Jun (AFS, RE & PWS resp). **Other**: Genoa sod farm (DeKalb Co) (♪♂), 6 Jul (ASA:ph); *e. Kankakee*, 29 Jul (JBH).

Common Grackle

Breeding: College of DuPage (Glen Ellyn, DuPage Co) (2 fledglings), 3 Jun (GP); CBG (begging juv), 8 Jun (ABA); LCal (PowderhornL FP) (2 fledged juv), 5 Jun (WJM); BraidwoodL (ad feeding fledgling), 17 Jun (JBH). **MC**: 400, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 5 Jul (DMK); 200, HennepinL, 20 Jul (NS); 169, Fairbury_, 20 Jun (VMK); 150, WhispWil, 1 Jun (JBH).

Brown-headed Cowbird

Breeding: Ryerson (juv begging from SOSP), 19 Jun (GH); Helm Wds FP (Kane Co) (2 nestlings in FISP nest), 5 Jun (JLr, AM); Aurora (DuPage Co) (juv being fed by CHSP), 21 Jul (DL); St. James Farm FP (DuPage Co) (juv being fed by CHSP), 30 Jun (DK); MArb (juv being fed by BAOR), 20 Jul (JZi); MArb (juv being fed by ♀ INBU), 22 Jul (DK); McDowellGr (fledgling fed by NOCA), 10 Jun (PAM); Busse Wds FP (Cook Co) (juv begging from YWAR & 2 juv begging from RWBBs), 22 Jun (ABA); Des Plaines (Cook Co) (juv being fed by CHSP), 21 Jul (CJ); Homewood (Cook Co) (recent fledgling not capable of sustained flight), 5 Jul (PLr); Bemis Wds FP (Cook Co) (juv attended to by ♂ RBGR), 22 Jun (JA); Izaak Walton Pr (Cook Co) (juv attended by SOSP), 16 Jun (PLr); Geneseo (Henry Co) (♂ NOCA feeding begging juv), 15 Jun (SH); Matthiessen SP (LaSalle Co) (juv being fed by ACFL), 13 Jul (AW); Hadley Valley FP (Will Co) (juv being fed by ad CHSP), 27 Jun (CC). **MC**: 80, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 28 Jun (DMK, MSS); 75, *Morgan*, 20 Jul (CAT); 70, SouthFm, 24 Jul (ZS); 51, LostMound, 13 Jul (DB et al.); 50, HL, 2 Jun (CMe, JM); 44, New Lenox_, 16

Purple Finch. Aurora West Forest Preserve, Kane County. 2 June 2013. Photo by Andrew Aldrich.

Pine Siskin. Wheaton, DuPage County. 17 June 2013. Photo by Vince Moxon.

Jun (ASA); 40, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 14 Jun (GGi, DWs); 34, Spring Twp (Boone Co), 8 Jul (LHe); 34, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 33, RayL FP (Lake Co), 5 Jul (DO); 33, Springbrk, 7 Jul (DFS); 32, Sheffield_, 29 Dec (DFS); 32, Abraham Lincoln Ntl Cem (Will Co), 11 Jul (SK); 31, Goose Lake Twp (Grundy Co), 15 Jun (DFS); 30, Streator_, 8 Jun (JAS); 30, Pontiac_, 21 Jun (VMK); 29, LCal (O'Brien L&D), 30 Jun (TWf); 25, Fermi, 16 Jul (JLe); 25, Sugar Grove NC (Funks Grove, McLean Co), 23 Jul (SHn); 22, KankakeeSod, 17 Jul (JBH); 20, Burnidge FP (Kane Co), 14 Jul (DFS); 20, Busse Wds FP (Cook Co), 22 Jun (ABA); 20, Skokie Lagoons FP #3&4 (Cook Co), 12 Jun (DWs); 20, BigL (Brown Co), 20 Jul (NS).

Orchard Oriole

Breeding: IBSP (pr carrying food to nest w/2 nestlings), 8 Aug (EWW). Nest empty 12 Aug.; Fermi (pr feeding 3 juv), 6 Jul (PAM); MArb (pr @ nest & pr w/2 fledged yg), 19 & 29 Jun resp (LR); McDowellGr (pr @ nest), 3 Jun (PAM); PaulDouglas (♀ feeding juv BHCO), 14 Jul (SBB, GP et al.); HennepinL (pr w/begging juv), 17 Jun (DTW, BCW); Emiquon (pr cop), 17 May (EWW). **MC**: 23, *Monroe*, 5 Jun (KAM); 11♪♂, Kell_, 19 Jun (SDB); 11, RendL, 3 Jun (LWS); 11, Carterville (Williamson Co), 9 Jun (JGd); 9♪♂, GLPSNA, 18 Jun-12 Jul (SDB); 9, Martinsville_, 20 Jun (SDB); 8, Fermi, 16 Jul (PAM); 8 (7♪♂), Burr Oak FP (Cook Co), 4 Jun (GC); 8, Midewin, 23 Jun (ASA); 7, Ft. Sheridan FP (Lake Co), 21 Jun (BJS); 7, Nachusa, 3 Jul (JWW); 6, IBSP, 12 Jun (BJS); 6, Waterfall Gcn FP (DuPage Co), 28 Jun (ASA); 6, Thomson-Fulton Sand Pra NP (Whiteside Co), 28 Jun (DFS); 6, Belknap_, 6 Jun (VMK).

Baltimore Oriole

Breeding: The Grove (Glenview, Cook Co) (♂ visiting nest), 13 Jun (SCn); MArb (nest w/yg & ad feeding juv BAOR & juv BHCO), 13 Jun & 20 Jul resp (JZi); McGinnis (pr @ nest), 12 Jun (LR); HennepinL (pr w/begging juv), 17 Jun (DTW, BCW); Kankakee (pr @ nest), 8 Jun (JBH); Carterville (Williamson Co) (♀ on nest), 5 Jun (JGd); CONWR (pr & 2 newly hatched nestlings), 8 Jun (JGd). **MC**: 29, LostMound, 28 Jun (DB et al.); 13, SaltCrk, 4 Jun (DFS); 11, MArb, 13 Jun (JZi); 10, Skokie Lagoons (Cook Co), 5 Jun (DWs); 10, Chi (Douglas Pk), 9 Jun (EDG); 9, Casper Bluff LWR (Jo Daviess Co), 3 Jun (DWy); 9 (ad), LCal (WolfL), 9 Jun (WJM); 8, MissPalis, 8 Jun (JLc); 8, SongbirdSl FP (DuPage Co), 1 Jun (JCa); 8, Lyman Wds FP (DuPage Co), 5 Jun (JZi); 8, HerrickL FP (DuPage Co), 2 Jun (JCa); 8, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 1 Jun (DL); 8, Sang, 3 Jun (HDB).

House Finch

Breeding: MArb (ad feeding fledgling), 6 Jul (JZi); Montrose (yellow variant ♂ feeding fledgling), 4 Jul (LGM). **MC**: 42, Navy Trail (LoyolaU, Chi), 22 Jul (SCn); 30 (flock of ads & juvs), LCal (Burnham Pra), 28 Jul (WJM); 27, LaGrange (Cook Co), 30 Jul (CAT); 20, CarlL-C, 7 Jul (DMK); 19, Union_, 28 Jun (SDB); 18, SaltCrk, 13 Jul (DFS); 18, New Lenox_, 16 Jun (ASA); 15, *e. Will*, 2 Jun (JBH).

Purple Finch

Aurora West FP (Kane Co) (♀), **2 Jun** (ASA:ph, SAC). This is only the 11th Jun/Jul record & 7th season that this species has been recorded in Illinois, all since 1988, w/all but two records from ne. Illinois.

Red Crossbill

SandRidge (**20**), 2 Jun (KAM, JAS, IOS). One of few semi-regular breeding locations for this species in Illinois, but was this a breeding population or a late migrant flock after the previous winter's large migrant/wintering influx?

Pine Siskin

Zion (Lake Co) (pr incl ♪♂ on territory), thru early May (EWW); Genoa (DeKalb Co) (2), 4 Jun (KML); St. Charles (Kane Co) (@ nyger feeder), 3 Jul (JP); MArb (2 ad w/2 juv), 1 Jul (PAM); Wheaton (DuPage Co) (@ feeder), 17 Jun (VM:ph); NoP, 5 & 12 Jun (GAW et al.);RainbowB (Chi), 1 Jun (DFS); Morris (Grundy Co) (1-3 @ thistle feeder), 29 Jun – 5 Jul (BMs:ph); E. Cape Girardeau (Alexander Co) (feeding on thistle w/slightly, deformed bill), 8 Jun (PB:ph, LBn).

American Goldfinch

Breeding: Lake Villa (Lake Co) (1+ yg in nest), 23 Jul (RBs); IBSP (nest building), 27 Jun (EWW); NelsonL (♀ sitting on nest), 12 Aug (KS:ph); Homewood (Cook Co) (♀ gathering spider webs for nest building), 13 Jul (PLr); Springfield (Sangamon Co) (♀ inspecting and sitting in last year's AMGO nest!?), 27 Apr (RLJ). **MC**: 69, GLPSNA, 18 Jun – 12 Jul (SDB); 40, CubaM FP (Lake Co), 7 Jun (DWs); 40, Afton FP (DeKalb Co), 28 Jul (RA); 38, Springbrk, 10 Jul (ASA); 38, *Monroe*, 21 Jul (C&PD); 37, Leroy Oakes FP (Kane Co), 9 Jun (CM); 35, Fermi, 23 Jul (BA); 32, MArb, 21 Jul (ASA); 30, New Lenox_, 16 Jun (ASA); 30, Bluff Spring Fen NP (Cook Co), 8 Jun (MMg); 29, Blackwell FP (DuPage Co), 28 Jul (ASn); 28, Sang, 25 Jun (HDB); 27, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 26, *e. Will*, 2 Jun (JBH); 25, RollinsSav, 7 Jul (NT).

House Sparrow

MC: 223, Chi (Irving Park Rd/Avondale area), 4 Jul (DKA); 210, Itasca_, 15 Jun (JIN); 209, Jamestown_, 11 Jun (DMK); 200, ESTL, 9 Jul (DMK); 200, Levee Rd (Monroe Co), 24 & 28 Jun (DMK); 174, Beaucoup_, 9 Jun (DMK); 116, Atkinson_, 28 Jun (DFS); 111, St. Morgan_, 15 Jun (KAM).

Eurasian Tree Sparrow

Breeding: Toulon (Stark Co) (ad w/fledglings), 6 Jul (JWW). **MC**: 18, CampPoint_, 29 May (VMK); 15, *Rock Island*, see below; 15, Chau, 21 Jul (KAM); 15, HL, 2 Jun (CMe, JM); 14, *Menard*, 2 Jun (BGe); 12, BigL (Brown Co), 4 Jul (CD); 8, TwoRivers, 25 Jul (CMe, JM); 6, Emiquon, 13 Jul (TH). **Northern edge of range**: Hanover Twp (Jo Daviess Co) (8), 21 Jun (GN); Hume Twp (Whitesidc Co) (2), 31 Jul (DH); KelseyL (Rock Island Co) (15), 4 Jul (DLa); Walnut Twp (Burcau Co), 12 Jun (SDB); Aledo (Mercer Co) (3), 17 Jul (DH); Toulon (Stark Co) (3), 1 Jun – 31 Jul (JWW); Sugar Grove NC (McLean Co) (2), 23 Jul (SHn); Hudson (North Pk, McLean Co) (2), 25 Jul (AW).

EXOTICS:

Budgerigar

Kankakee, 5 Jul (JBH); I-255 (Monroe/St. Clair Co linc), 7 Jun (KAM).

European Goldfinch

Breeding: Wauk (pr w/2 juv), 22 Aug (DTW, AFS).

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